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PIRATE SUSPECTS ARRESTED.

H. M. S. FAULKNER BRINGS IN OVER TWENTY.

ROUNDED UP ABOARD THE TAI LEE LAST NIGHT.

HANDED OVER TO POLICE.

Reports current this morning that a number of pirate suspects had been rounded up aboard the s.s. Tai Lee after she had left Hongkong for Kowloon were proved to be well grounded when, at about 1 p.m., H.M.S. Faulkner, an armed launch on patrol duty on the West River, brought into Hongkong no fewer than 23 Chinese who had been removed from the steamer named.

The police had previously been notified of the fact that a number of suspects were being brought down by the naval boat, and a large party, headed by Inspector M. Murphy, was at the Naval Yard when the Faulkner arrived.

The 23 Chinese were promptly handed over and were at once handcuffed and conveyed to the Central Police Station in two prison vans.

At the moment, it is not definitely known how the presence of the suspects on the Tai Lee first aroused suspicion, but one report is to the effect that Chinese passengers on the steamer noticed several strange-looking men on board and ventured the opinion that they were Biao Bay pirates.

These men are said to have secured accommodation somewhere near the grilles, and it appears that when suspicions became aroused, it was decided to round them all up. Later a signal was sent to H.M.S. Faulkner and when she came alongside the suspects were handed over.

REPORTED CHASE ROUND DECKS.

According to rumour, which Chinese detectives forbidding any have been unable to confirm, some of the men to make statements trouble was experienced in getting the suspects under control, it being said that one of the officers had to chase some of the men round the deck at the point of a revolver before they were all safely rounded up.

At any rate, the Tai Lee sent out signals which were received by the Faulkner, as a result of which the armed naval launch came alongside the steamer and took on board the 23 suspects which were handed over by the captain.

First News.

The first news of the affair was received in Hongkong by the naval authorities and a communication was sent to the police, requesting that a posse of constables and detectives be sent to the Naval Yard to take charge of certain suspects which the armed launch Faulkner was bringing in.

With customary despatch, the authorities detailed off six plain-clothes European detectives, eight Indians and several Chinese for immediate duty at the Naval Camber. The two Government prison vans were also sent and there quickly gathered a crowd of sailors to watch the proceedings from the various men-of-war at or near the Naval Yard.

Further cause for their curiosity was occasioned by a generous display of arms, handcuffs, and the rushing in and out of police representatives on motor cycles. All was ready for the reception of the captured men at noon.

After forty minutes of waiting, the Faulkner arrived and berthed in the camber. Her appearance increased the tenseness of those assembled on the spot.

Once the Faulkner had tied up at the jetty, the police officers, under Acting-Inspector M. Murphy, took charge of the situation. The Captain of the Faulkner had a short conversation with the police officer in charge, after which orders were given for the suspected pirates to be removed from the ship.

Bound Hand and Foot.

There were, in all, twenty-three Chinese in custody on board the Faulkner and these were all herded on to the fore deck. They were bound hand and foot with cords. They conversed occasionally in Cantonese and their appearance indicated that they were Southerners of the poorer class, being dressed in mean attire, without shoes.

On the appearance of the police officers on board there was a general attempt at explanation, but four cases within the last few months and it is just possible that

NEW MOUNT ETNA HORROR.

RED HOT BOULDERS CRASH DOWN HILLSIDE.

RAPID DEVELOPMENTS.

Catania, Nov. 8.
The Mount Etna eruption has claimed its first human victims.

Three peasants insisted on sleeping in their homes at Mascara after the evacuation, and it is feared that they have perished. There are indications that the Etna eruption is subsiding, though the lava stream is creeping on and is within 300 yards of the Catania-Messina railway line.—*Reuter.*

A New Horror.

To the enormous serpent of molten lava which is cleaving a path of destruction in the forest down the slopes there is now added a further horror, incandescent boulders measuring ten cubic feet scattering broadcast and falling with terrific force, sufficient to break the underground water mains.

Professor Ponte, the Director of the Etna Observatory, who remains at his post despite the bombardment, has reported to the Government that the eruption in twelve hours has reached a stage of development only previously attained in four days. A curious phenomenon is the fact that the lava is apparently moving in underground channels from one newly-formed fissure to another.—*Reuter.*

NEW ROADS FOR KWANGTUNG.

CANTON GOVERNMENT OPENS QUARRY.

Canton, Nov. 8.
The progressive spirit of the Kwangtung Provincial Government is further illustrated by a recent act of the Mayor, Mr. Lam Wen-kol.

A great deal of road-building is going on in Canton and all over the province, and recently Mr. Lam Wen-kol made an intensive investigation into the reasons for the high cost of building and studied plans to reduce this cost.

The first result of his investigation had a consequence a few days ago when the Mayor opened a municipal quarry not far from Canton, so that the municipal authorities are now able to procure their own stone for road beds, thereby reducing the cost by nearly 40 per cent. Not only do they save on the actual cost of the stone, but the quarry being quite near Canton, a very considerable saving is also effected on the cost of transport.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

Piracy Attempt.

As stated, the exact cause of the detention of the suspects is not at the moment clear, but a representative of the Telegraph was told that an attempt at piracy on the Tai Lee was probably frustrated just in time.

What actually occurred will probably not be known until the Tai Lee returns to Hongkong at midnight.

It was observed that the crew on board the Faulkner, on arriving in Hongkong, were all armed with revolvers, and that there was a special guard kept over the pirates, by a few ratings armed with rifles.

Ship and Officers.

The s.s. Tai Lee is a locally-built vessel, having been constructed in 1914 at the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock for the Sze Yap S.S. Company, with a gross tonnage of 1,423 and a length of 208.9 feet, beam 38.1 feet and depth 11 feet.

She is engaged with the On Lee between Hongkong and Kowloon sailing on alternate evenings, and is temporarily running alone, as the On Lee is now in dock. It is understood that she is chartered by a Chinese firm for the service, but she is actually British-owned and registered.

The officers of the vessel are Captain E. Midgely, Chief Officer Pithie, Chief Engineer George White and Second Engineer W. Wilson. Mr. White has already distinguished himself, being the hero of an incident on the s.s. Paul Beau when, at great risk, he rescued a man from the engine room after an explosion. For this deed he was decorated at Government House.

These officers have also had much to do with the stopping of arms smuggling into Kowloon, there having already been some three or four cases within the last few months and it is just possible that

CANTON AVIATION TRAGEDY.

FOUR BOAT PEOPLE KILLED.

MACHINE NOSE DIVES INTO NARROW CANAL.

AVIATOR'S ESCAPE.

Chinese reports from Canton give details of the aviation tragedy which occurred there on Wednesday morning when a military aeroplane crashed off the East Bund, falling close to a number of sampans.

Two boatmen are reported to have been instantly killed and two others to have succumbed to injuries after their removal to hospital. One other was seriously hurt and another slightly injured.

The pilot and pupil, who were from the Tsinshatou Aviation College had a miraculous escape.

Out of Control.

It appears that the plane (No. 14) had been flying for some time over the East Bund, when for some reason at present unexplained

THE "SHASI" PIRACY ARRESTS.

Fifteen "Shasi" to be Found
Guilty.

EIGHT MORE SUSPECTS.

Hankow, Nov. 8.

Out of the twenty-three men arrested in connexion with the Shasi piracy case it is stated that fifteen of them have been found guilty and eight innocent.

A further eight suspects have been apprehended and they are at present under examination at headquarters.

Mr. Henvis, the American passenger who was wounded in the affair, is progressing favourably.—*Reuter.*

ed the machine got out of control and made a sudden nose-dive which had most disastrous consequences.

As the machine was descending, the aviators made an attempt to land on the big recreation ground near Tungyuen, which is separated from Kwangsi Club by a small canal. At the time there were numerous sampans and other native craft in the canal, and it was on some of these that the machine later crashed.

Building Just Missed.

According to the stories of eyewitnesses, when the plane was some fifteen feet from the ground it narrowly missed the roof of the Kwangsi Club. However, it just managed to steer clear of the building but fell into the canal.

The canal is a very narrow one, and it appears that on its descent the plane came into contact with the mast of a junk, one of the propellers striking it and badly smashing it.

Sampans Destroyed.

The mast, in two pieces, fell on to a number of sampans lying near by, completely destroying four of the smaller craft. Fortunately, the plane itself fell into the water clear of the sampans, and the aviators managed to extricate themselves.

The aviators did all they could to assist those injured and helped to convey them to hospital.

Later in the day, the damaged aeroplane was salvaged from the canal.

NANKING MILITARY AFFAIRS.

Nanking, Nov. 8.
On the departure of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek on his tour of inspection, affairs at the Nanking Military Department will be in the hands of General Ho Ying-ching.

DEATH SENTENCE FOR ASSASSIN.

END OF OBREGON MURDER TRIAL.

GREAT EXCITEMENT.

San Angel, Mexico, Nov. 8.

The trial of Jose de Leon Toral for the assassination of the President Elect of Mexico, General Obregon, was brought to a close here to-day in the presence of an immense crowd which has throughout the trial been swarming into the Courthouse in feverish excitement.

Toral was sentenced to death, and Mother Superior Maria Concepcion, who was jointly tried with him on a charge of being his accomplice, was sentenced to twenty years' imprisonment.

So widespread was the public interest that special arrangements had been made to broadcast the Court proceedings and listeners-in all over the country heard the verdicts pronounced to-day.

"Mission of God."

Toral, in the course of the trial, admitted killing General Obregon as "a mission of God." He said he did not know exactly what result it would bring, but was confident that it would help the cause of the controversy in Mexico between the State and the Roman Catholic Church.

He made allegations of having been tortured by the police for the purpose of being made to implicate others, but these allegations were denied.—*Reuter's American Service.*

NAPHTHA EXPLOSION IN U.S.A.

TWELVE KILLED AND TWENTY INJURED.

New York, Nov. 8.

A message from Lynn, Massachusetts, states that twelve persons were killed and twenty injured in a naphtha explosion in a shoe factory, including four occupants of a neighbouring house where a woman with her husband and eight children were having breakfast.

A sheet of flame leaped from the factory twenty feet away, burst the window and enveloped the family, incinerating the mother and three children. The others were slightly injured.—*Reuter's American Service.*

CHINESE CUSTOMS. AUTONOMY.

HOLLAND WILLING TO NEGOTIATE.

The Hague, Nov. 8.

A Memorandum by the Foreign Minister, accompanying the departmental estimates, states that the Government is determined to the utmost that the development of commercial relations with China shall, as far as possible, satisfy Chinese political requirements.

The Dutch Minister at Peking has been instructed to proceed to Nanking to negotiate in connexion with the proposed Chinese Customs autonomy.—*Reuter.*

BANK OF ENGLAND'S NEW ISSUE.

OLD NOTES WILL BE CALLED IN.

London, Nov. 8.

Further details of the proposed Bank of England note issue were given by Mr. Winston Churchill to-day in answering questions in the House of Commons.

Mr. Churchill said that the present currency would remain legal tender after November 22nd, when the new notes would be available. Three months' notice would be given to the public when the old notes were to be called in, "but this was not expected to happen for some considerable time."—*Reuter.*

THE UNEMPLOYMENT PROBLEM

GOVERNMENT REPLIES TO LABOUR CENSURE.

PAYING THE PRICE OF THE 1926 GENERAL STRIKE.

LABOUR ITSELF BLAMED.

Taunting the Labour Party that it was largely at fault for the present industrial situation in Britain, Mr. Winston Churchill made a vigorous reply to criticisms by Mr. J. R. Clynes, during the course of a debate in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Clynes had complained that the Government's proposals, as outlined in the King's Speech, were utterly inadequate to meet the grave fact that there are over 1,300,000 persons on the unemployment register, and suggested that the dole should be turned into a wage for actual work and that the Government should reconsider opening trade relations with Russia.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer said it was misleading to imagine that the re-admission of the Soviet Embassy would make the slightest contribution to the problem, and reminded the Labour Party that the country was now paying the price of the disastrous General Strike and coal stoppage in 1926.

He argued that the problem of unemployment was worldwide, but that Britain was doing far more than any other country in caring for the weak and the poor. He outlined the practical steps which the Government was taking.

HOW BRITAIN WAS THROWN BACK.

London, Nov. 8. In 1926, being discredited? These The House of Commons to-day signs of amendment were welcome, debated the first amendment to the but they were too late. The price Address in reply to the King's of 1926 had to be paid! Speech, dealing with unemployment. World-Wide Problem.

Mr. J. R. Clynes (Labour) moved an amendment "that although the Government had had four years of office the country was burdened with unemployment in a more acute form and that appalling conditions prevailed in many of the mining areas, and that the proposals outlined in the King's Speech were utterly inadequate to meet the existing industrial situation."

Wage Instead of Dole.

In the course of his speech, Mr. Clynes complained that the Sessions programme contained nothing to lessen the despair of hundreds of thousands of workers, but that, on the contrary, the Government's policy would result in diminishing the volume of unemployment. He estimated that at least £1,500,000 was weekly being received by those who were compulsorily idle in order to keep them alive. He suggested that the dole should be increased and turned into a wage for actual work and he urged the Government, as one solution, to reconsider opening trade relations with Russia.

Labour at Fault.

Mr. Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, replied with an exhaustive analysis of the industrial situation. Dealing with the suggestion made by Mr. Clynes that this country should resume relations with Russia as a means of reducing unemployment, he declared that anyone who supposed that the Re-admission of the Soviet Embassy to this island would make the slightest contribution to the problem of unemployment was misleading himself and would mislead others. It was very easy to say that the present industrial situation was the fault of the Government but it was far easier sons under the unemployment in Government but it was far easier to say and easier to prove that a large part of it was the fault of 224,000 women upon the un- Labour Party. Had Mr. Clynes forgotten the general strike ever included in any pre-war total, and prolonged coal stoppage of There was a fourth class for whose 1926? Through these we had been behind the onward march of other nations. The reserves of industry were exhausted during that period and the resources of the States to aid misfortune had been grievously impaired. Had the Labour Party not admitted their responsibility? Had there not been an effort on the part of the responsible leaders of Labour to establish a different and saner policy? Were not Communists being excluded from Labour Party politics? Was it need-be, quite easily without Russian interference being pursued in domestic affairs? Was not Mr. Cook, who led the miners

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THE VOLUNTEERS.

ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK.

No. 355. Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps. Orders by Lieut.-Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O., Commandant, Hongkong, Friday, 9th November, 1928.

1. Armistice Day Parade.—The Machine Gun Company has been selected to represent the Corps at the Ceremony at the Cenotaph on Sunday, 11th November, 1928. Full instructions have been issued direct to O. C. Machine Gun Company.

2. Dress.—The Dress for all ranks attending the Ceremony either at the Cenotaph or the Club de Recreio, in uniform, on Armistice Sunday will be review order medals. Officers not on parade with their men will wear breeches.

3. A certain number of seats have been allotted to the Corps at the Armistice Day 9.45 a.m. Service at St. John's Cathedral. Anyone wishing to avail themselves of this privilege must apply to the O.C. their unit.

4. A copy of instructions regarding the Ceremony to take place at the Cenotaph, which is of interest to all attending, has been placed in the Officers' Mess and Canteen.

5. All N. C. O.s will render a certificate to their Unit Commanders before 16th November, that they have seen on badges of rank of white tape on to their khaki shirts.

6. Annual Camps.

Full particulars regarding annual camps which take place between 10th November to 9th December, 1928 have been issued to all ranks, except The Battery and Engineer Company, on 23. 10. 28, by type written circular.

O. C. Companies will report to The Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C. by 9 a.m. on Tuesday, 13th November, 1928, the number of all ranks attending camp, stating meals required, so that rations can be arranged.

Men can proceed to camp the evening of the day before i.e. on Friday evening of 16th November, 1928.

Those wishing to have their baggage sent to the camp at Fanling must deliver it, clearly labelled with owners' names at Corps Headquarters by 2 p.m. on Friday, 16th November.

Arms and Equipment etc., may be drawn from Corps Headquarters on Friday, 9th Tuesday, 13th Wednesday, 14th Thursday, 15th November, between 9 a.m. and Noon, or 2 and 4 p.m., on 5 and 6 a.m. and on Saturday, 10th and Friday, 16th November, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon.

7. Corps Orders.

During Camp Training at Fanling, Corps Order will be published on THURSDAYS, 15th, 22nd and 29th November and 6th December, 1928 instead of Fridays, 16th, 23rd and 30th November and 7th December, 1928.

8. Correspondence.

During the Camp Training Season 16th November to 9th December, 1928 only correspondence of a most urgent nature is to be addressed to Orderly Room.

9. Musketry.

There will be no firing by Machine Gun Company at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, 11th November, owing to that date being Armistice Day.

10. Corps Boxing Tournament.

The date has been provisionally fixed for Friday, 21st December and will be held under Imperial Services Boxing Association Rules.

The following Sub-Committee has been appointed to arrange it: Mr. A. Murdoch—Chairman.

Sergeant W. H. Owen—Hon. Secretary. Captain A. M. Thimhill. Captain E. J. R. Mitchell. Sergeant M. M. Watson. Mr. H. Marriott, D.C.M.

Entries, giving each competitor's weight, to be made through Company Commanders to Sergeant W. H. Owen at Volunteer Headquarters before 6 p.m. on Monday, 26th November, 1928.

On receipt of the entries the Sub-Committee will draw up a Programme of Events.

11. Corps Band.

There will be a full Band practice on Friday, 9th November at 5.30 p.m. at Corps Headquarters.

Those who wish to shoot will parade in the Miniature Range at Corps Headquarters on Wednesday, 14th November, 1928, under R.S.M. W. H. Edmonds.

12. The Battery.

Parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.25 p.m. on Friday, 9th November and Tuesday, 13th November. Bat-

THE BUS SERVICES.

ALTERATION IN TRAMWAY COMPANY'S ROUTE.

The Tramway Company advertises an alteration in its motor bus route.

At present the buses on their run between Happy Valley and the Western Market follow the tramlines except entering and leaving the Valley, where they take Wanchai Road. This route produces congestion and delay, particularly in the business centres where trams stop at short intervals and traffic is heavy. It has now been arranged that the buses shall use Connaught Road Central instead of Des Voeux Road Central. They will enter and leave Queen's Road via Murray Road. The new route will enable them to serve the ferry and steamer wharves as far west as Wing Lok Street.

tery Drill: Signaller under Serat. J. M. Jack.

All ranks are expected to attend in order to make it possible to man Two Guns and proceed with Battery Drill.

Camps. The Battery Camps will take place at Tai Lam, New Territories from 7th to 9th and 14th to 16th December. Particulars have been issued to all ranks on 2. 11. 28.

13. Engineer Company.

Parade at Belchers Fort on Tuesday, 13th November, at 5.30 p.m. for instruction in running engine.

Dress: Uniform or mufft optional. There will be a pool shoot in the Miniature Range on Wednesday, 14th November at 5.30 p.m.

14. Corps Signals.

Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, 15th November for Signal Instruction. There will be a field day on Sunday, 18th November for the purpose of exercising with the new W/T sets.

The Morris truck will be at the Star Ferry Wharf Kowloon at 10 a.m. Dress: Uniform. Shorts, puttees etc. Tiffin should be taken.

15. Mounted Infantry Company.

The Company will parade at Corps Headquarters on Thursday, 15th November at 5.30 p.m. for M. G. Instruction. The attention of all ranks is drawn to Corps Orders relating to Camp. In several cases the O. C. Company has not been informed of the times at which members will attend camp. This information must be forwarded forthwith.

Those who are not completely equipped with uniform must make up their deficiencies before the first camp.

16. Armoured Car Company.

Car Section, Friday, 9th and 16th November. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for run around the Island in the Armoured Car.

Motor Cycle Section, Friday, 9th and 16th November. Parade at Corps Headquarters for machine gun instruction. Dress: Mufft.

Tuesday, 13th November. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.20 p.m. for run around the Island. Motor Cycle Combinations will be driven by L/Corpl. Rogers and L/Corpl. Thomas. Dress, mufft.

Extra Parades. It is proposed to hold extra parades each Monday and Thursday until camp. Those willing to attend should send their names in to L/Serjt. Williams as soon as possible.

17. Machine Gun Company.

The Company will parade as strong as possible on Tuesday, 13th November at 5.30 p.m. at Corps Headquarters, dress mufft for Advanced Gun Drill under Subsection Commanders. N. C. O. Probationers' dress mufft, belt and sidearms under C.S.M. V. C. Branson, M.C.

Cenotaph Ceremony. The Company have been selected to represent the Corps and those detailed will parade at Corps Headquarters at 10.15 a.m. under Lieut. J. Norrie Owen. Dress: Helmet with chin strap down, tunic, medals, belt, sidearms, shorts, hose-tops, puttees and black boots.

18. Scottish Company.

Thursday, 15th November, 1928. platoons will parade at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun instruction, dress mufft, as follows:

No. 5 Platoon, will proceed direct from Tai Lam to Kennedy Road Range. No. 6 Platoon, at Kowloon Dock. No. 7 Platoon, at Corps Headquarters.

Pipes and Drums. will parade for

OBITUARY.

FORMER ATTORNEY GENERAL IN THE STRAITS.

London, Oct. 29.

With considerable legal experience and 27 years Colonial service, (much of which was spent in Malaya), to his credit, Mr. W. R. Collyer, a former Attorney General of the Straits Settlements, has died at his home in Norwich at the age of 68.

After a successful university career Mr. Collyer first took up an appointment at Clifton College, but in 1869 he was called to the Bar of the Inner Temple, and practised on the Midland Circuit, before taking up his first Colonial appointment as Acting Chief Justice in Sierra Leone in 1879. He was Acting Puisne Judge and Acting Attorney General in Gold Coast Colony, and Queen's Advocate in Cyprus before going to Malaya as a Puisne Judge in 1892. In 1903 he became Attorney General and three years later retired from the Colonial service.

Mr. Collyer arrived in Singapore from Cyprus from whence came later Sir Arthur Young—and was for a time Puisne Judge. Later, says the S. F. Press, he became Attorney General but he was not an entire success as a draftsman, being however better in Court, whilst his oratorical abilities were not of the kind to assist him in his Legislative Council work. He was in fact not best suited by public life of the kind which involves the rough and tumble of debate but he was a very sound classical scholar, a notable philosophical thinker—the founder of the Straits Philosophical Society—an artist of talent—a great philanthropist and a very keen advocate of education, in which latter connexion he was a very willing supporter and prize-giver at various school functions.

He was Vice President of the Singapore branch of the R.A.S., a keen churchman and upholder of the Children's Aid, B. and F. Bible Society, Y.M.C.A. etc. In addition he was a sound sportsman for he was a good and stylish cricketer and was President of the Rowing Club, played cricket and took a great interest in the Sepoy Lines Golf Club. He was a confirmed bachelor.

He practised at Corps Headquarters on Wednesday, 14th November.

Church Parade, will be held on Sunday, 22nd December, and all are kindly requested to keep this date open in order to ensure a full strength parade of the Company.

19. Portuguese Company.

Camp. The Company will be in camp the weekend 10th-13th November. The attention of all ranks is called to Circular issued by Corps Headquarters re camp and times of trains, etc.

There are still some who have not returned the necessary forms to camp and meals required. This should be done immediately.

Armistice Day Parade Memorial. The Company will fall in at The Club de Recreio on Sunday the 11th November at 11.30 a.m. sharp. Dress: As already detailed.

20. Reserve Company.

Wednesday, 14th November. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 6.15 p.m. and proceed to Kennedy Road Range by Ford Truck for Machine Gun Firing practice. Dress mufft.

21. Strength.

The following recruits are taken on the strength and posted as under: No. 1415 Pte. D. W. Gregory, No. 2 Platoon, from 2. 11. 28.

No. 1416 Pte. F. T. Rodriguez, No. 10 Platoon, from 2. 11. 28.

No. 1417 Pte. C. V. Marques, No. 10 Platoon, from 2. 11. 28.

No. 1418 Pte. J. P. Rocha, No. 10 Platoon, from 2. 11. 28.

No. 1419 Pte. E. Rozario, No. 10 Platoon, from 2. 11. 28.

No. 1420 Pte. G. E. R. Divett, No. 1 Platoon, from 6. 11. 28.

22. Promotion and Appointments. The following promotion and

A FATAL FALL.

CHINESE CRUSHED TO DEATH.

The circumstances surrounding an accident which occurred on the 26th of last month on the Shaikwan Road, when a man was crushed to death subsequent to a fall from a lorry, were investigated before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, with the assistance of a jury.

Opening the inquiry, the Coroner said that it concerned the death of a Chinese who, on the day in question, asked for a-a obtained a lift in a goods lorry to proceed to town from Shek-O. He fell from the vehicle while going down the incline of Shaikwan Hill, and in some manner received serious injuries from which he died. The lorry was in the charge of a licensed driver, but it was suggested that at the time of the accident the wheel had been taken over by another man, who, with the proper driver, also ended immediately after the accident and has not been yet located, in spite of every effort by the police.

Dr. Alexander Cannon, who performed a post-mortem examination of the body, said that the backbone was snapped in two, as if the man had been pinned between the vehicle and an immovable projection such as a boulder.

Other internal injuries were consistent with the suggested cause of death.

Rocked Dangerously.

Evidence was adduced to show that on the day in question the Nanking Transportation Company hired out the lorry to the Tack Lee firm of contractors, of Lee Yuen Street, who then dispatched it to Shek-O, to bring back building materials.

Tang Yee, a woman earth-carrier who travelled in the body of the lorry, said that on the way back they gave a lift to a man, who subsequently fell as the vehicle was going down the incline of Shaikwan Hill. The lorry was then rocking dangerously and, swaying from side to side; it knocked against the rocky hillside a number of times before being brought to a dead halt upon colliding with a boulder. The deceased was shaken off from where he sat, in the rear of the vehicle.

Interrogated by the Court, she agreed that there was another man besides the driver in the front seat. She could not say whether a change-over was made on the return journey and that the driver gave his wheel over to the other man.

The enquiry was adjourned.

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Car Section.

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No. 868 Pte. A. Nasim, to be Lance Corporal.

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23. Leave.

No. 793 Pte. H. J. Fountain, No. 2 Platoon having returned from leave, relieved for duty on 7. 11. 28.

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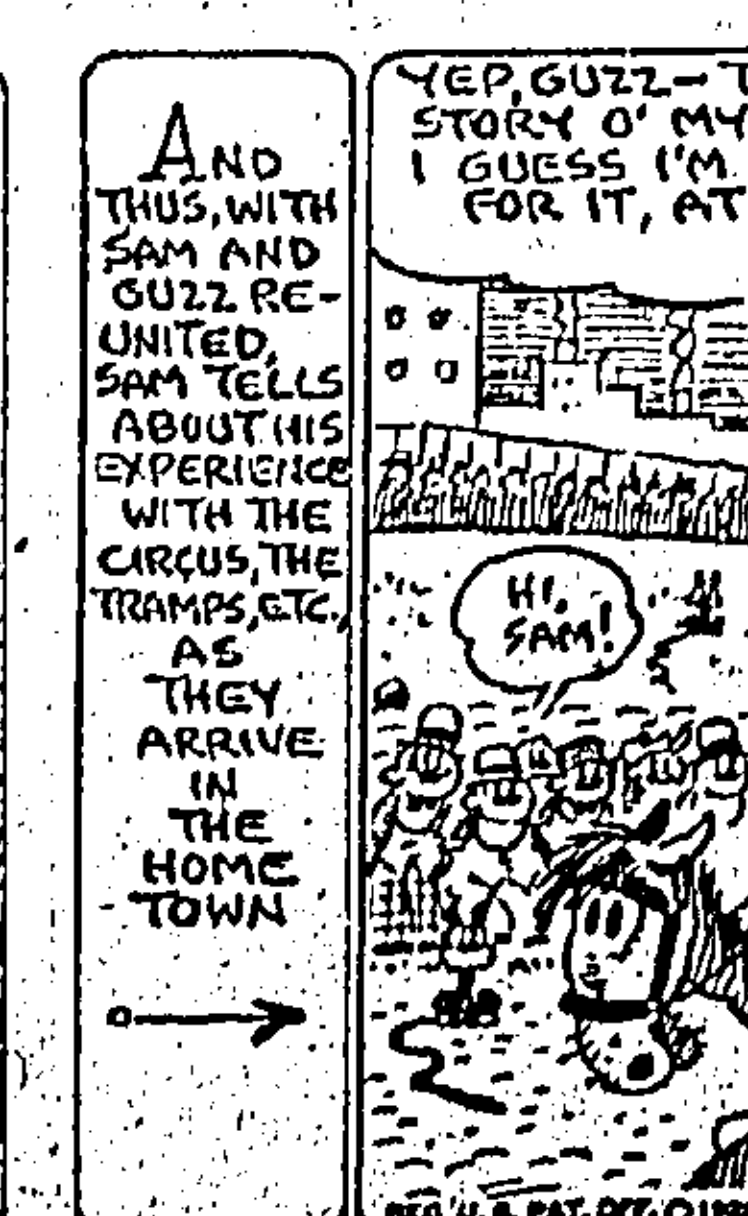
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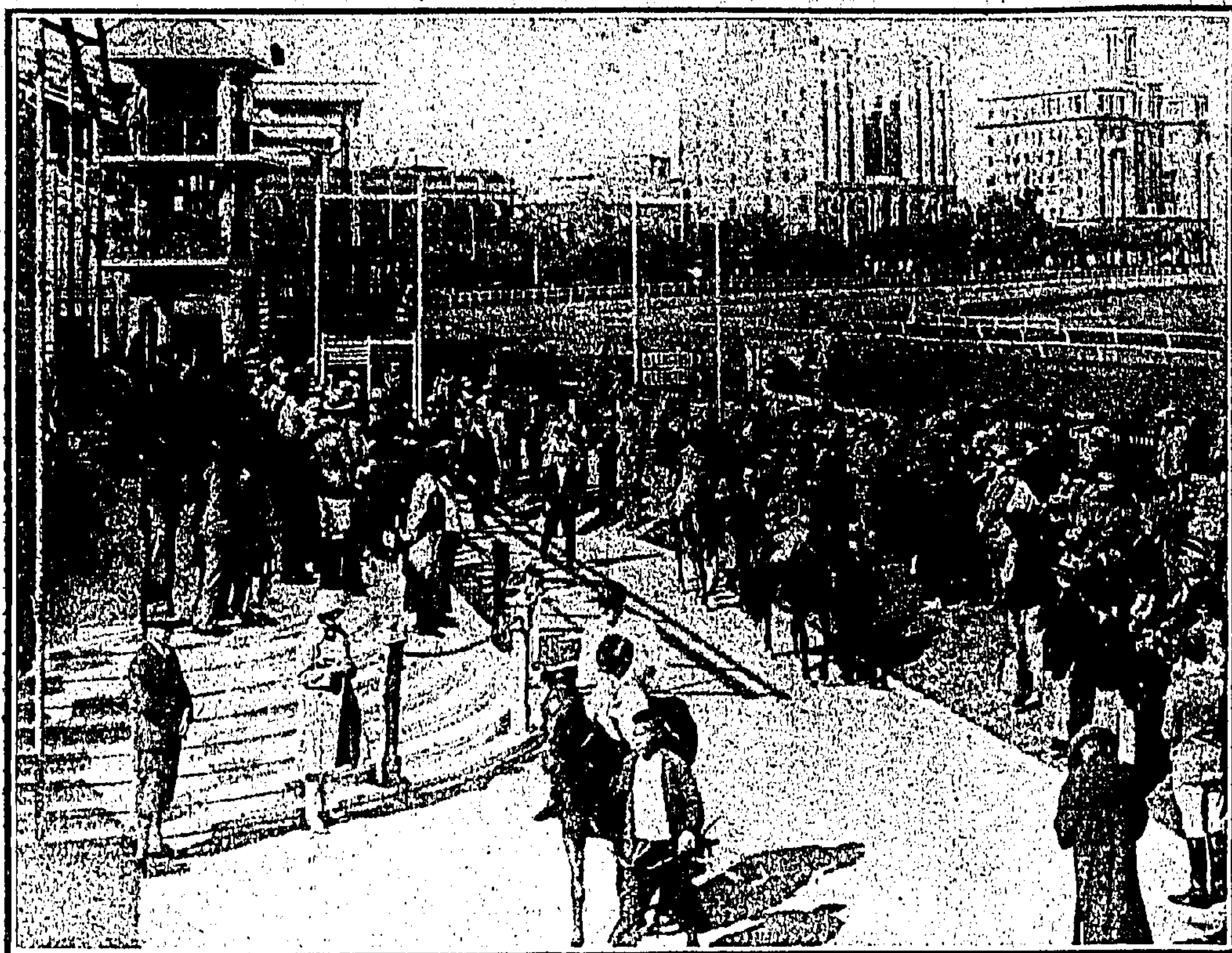
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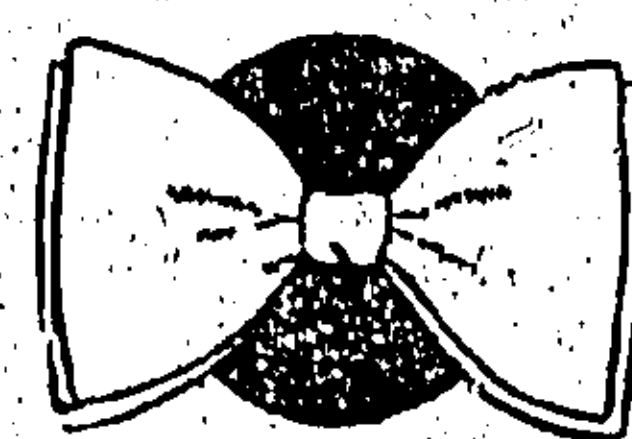
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Scene at the last extra meeting at the Shanghai Race Club, where this week the principal meeting of the year has been held.



Count Yasuya Uchida, Japanese Foreign Minister, who signed the Kellogg peace pact in Paris for his country, here is shown as he landed in New York.



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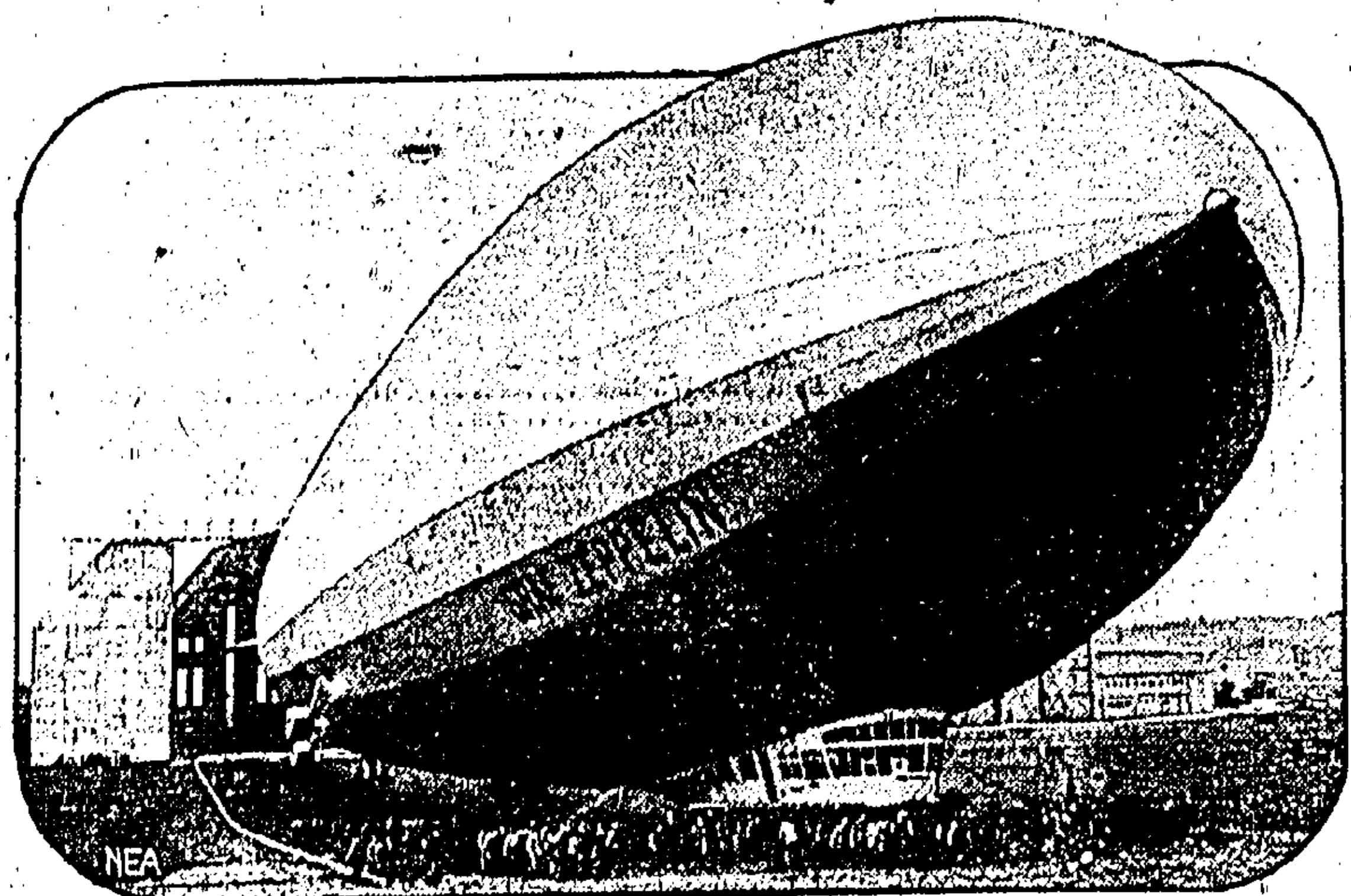
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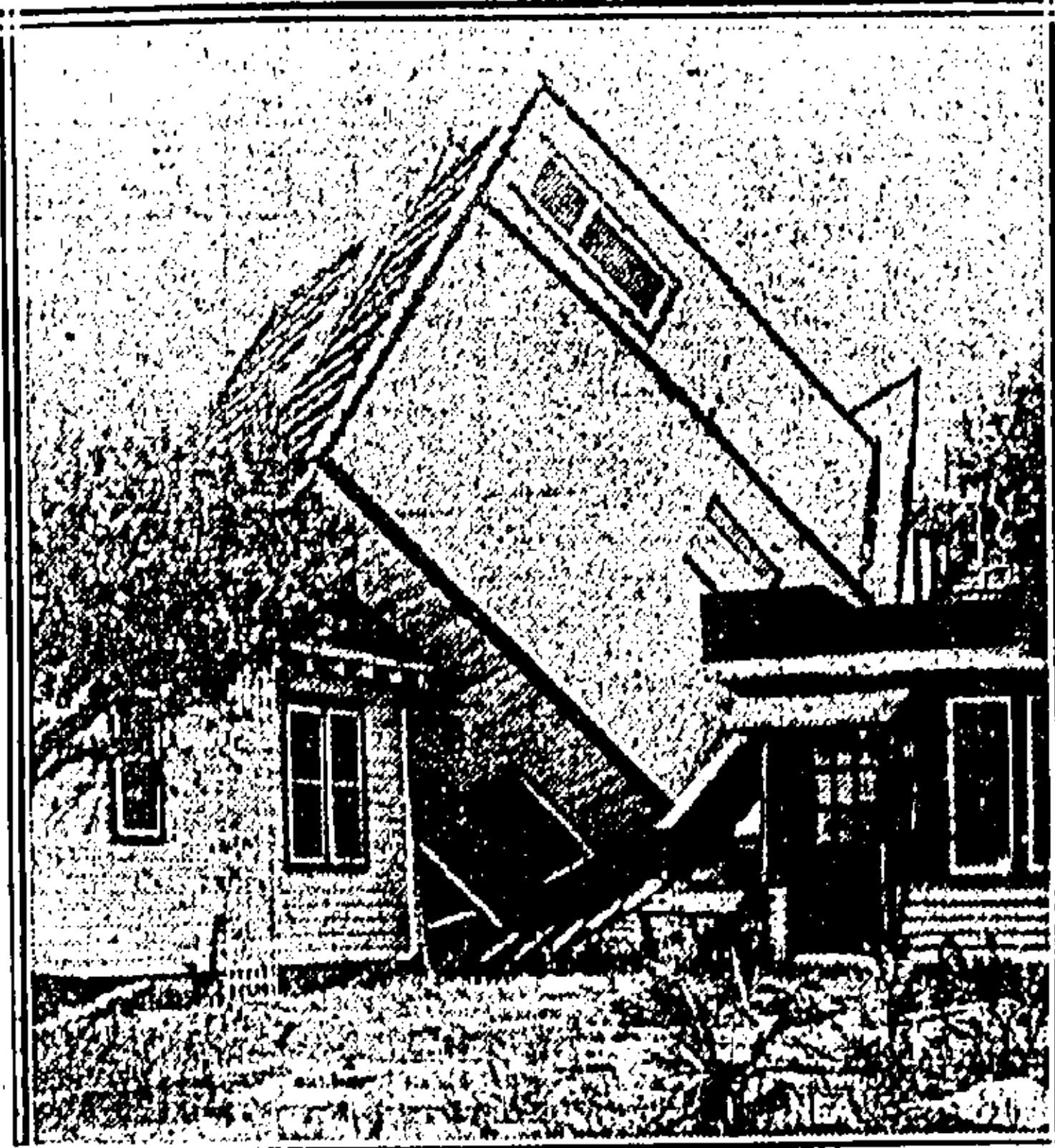
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Here are two scenes from Florida, after the hurricane swept its path of death and destruction across the states. At the top a coffin containing the body of a victim of the storm is being loaded on a truck. Below another truck is unloading foodstuffs rushed by the Red Cross.



Mr. Philippe Roy, the first Canadian Minister to Paris.



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A scramble in front of the goal of the Shanghai Recs. Reserves in their match with the 5th Armoured Car Co.

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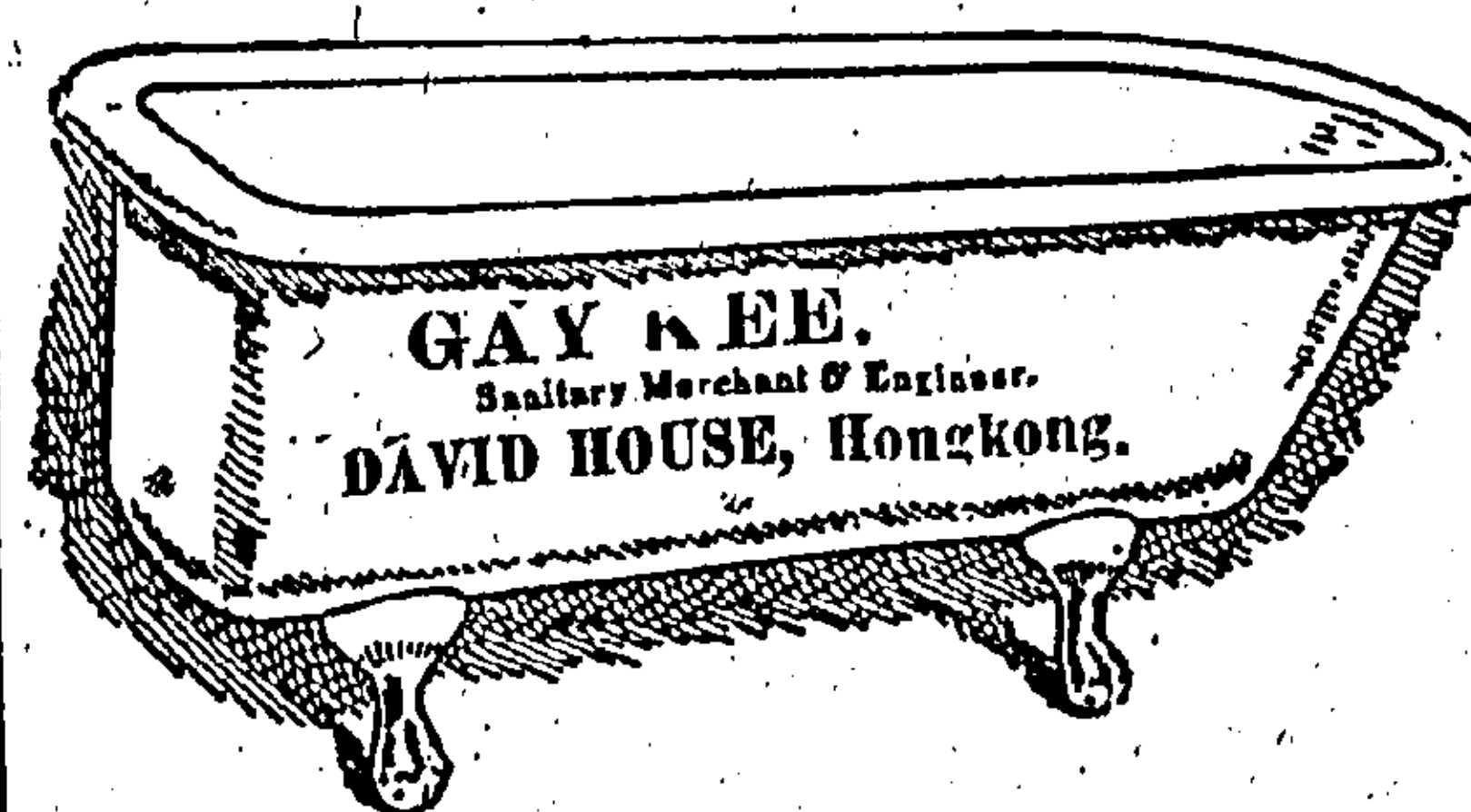
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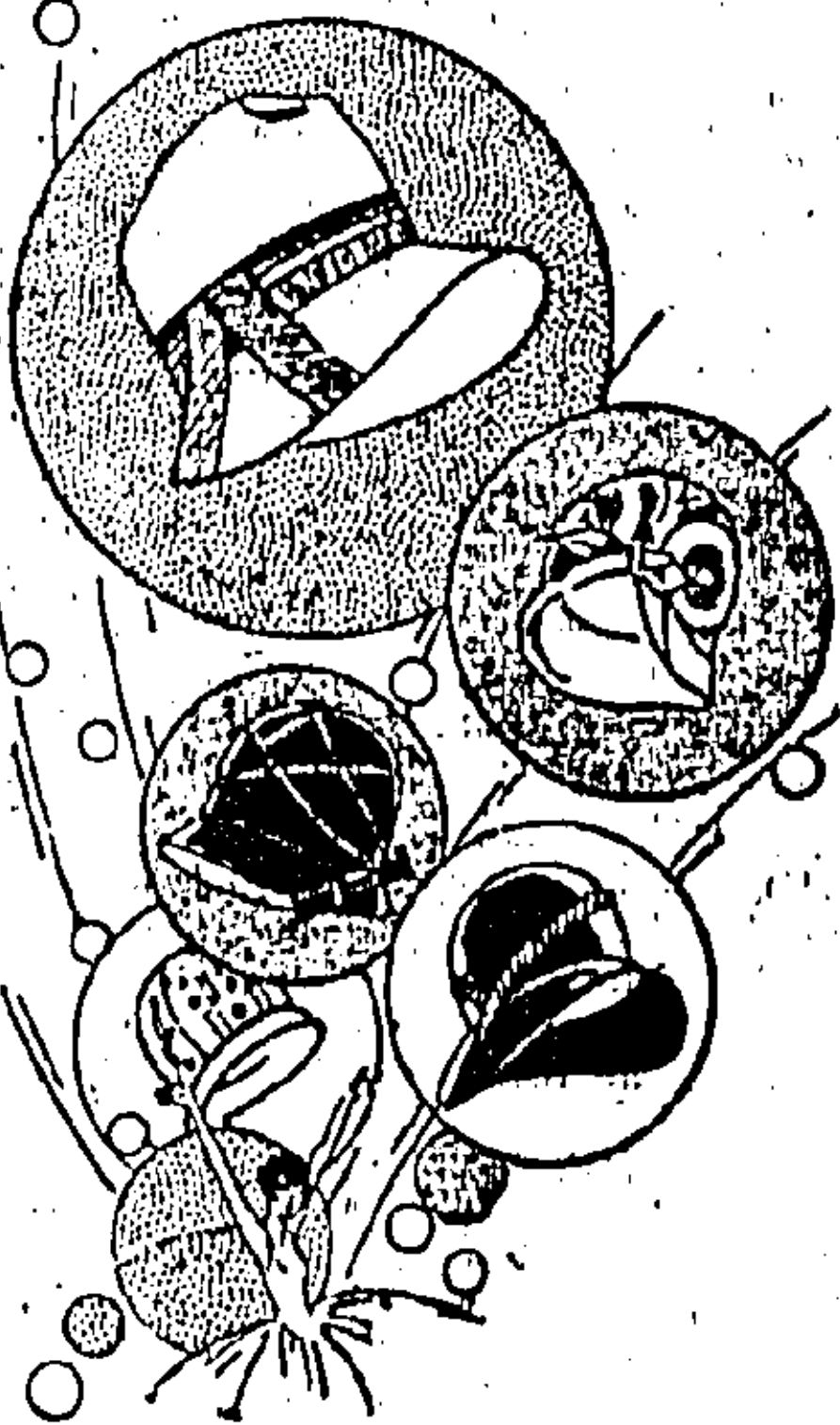
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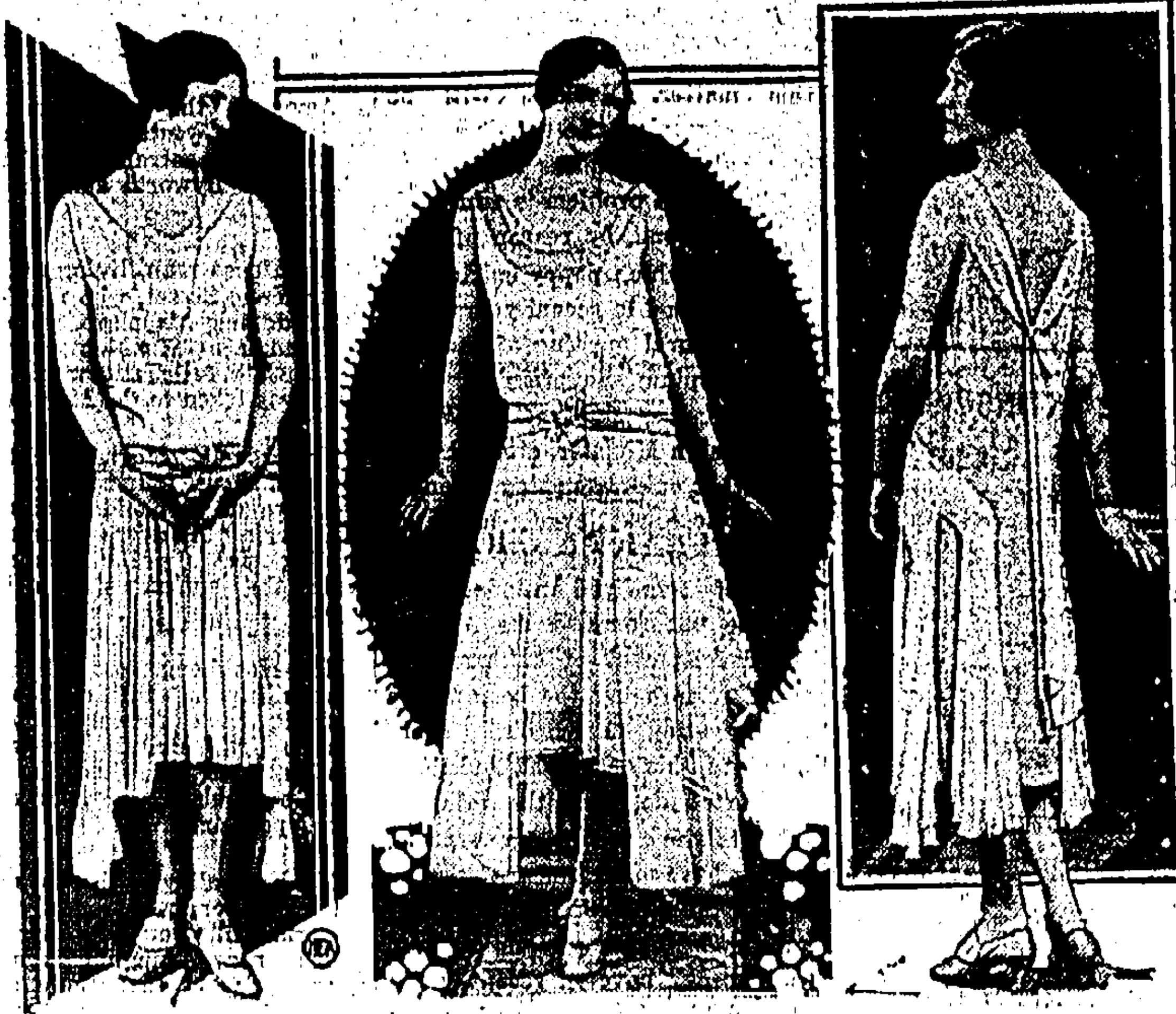
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Here are three white evening gowns for the winter mode. Left is an Elizabeth model with full skirt and bodice decorated by iridescent bugles. Note the square-stepped hemline. The smart gown in the centre uses crisp tulle to form a skirt of uneven length. At the right is a gown on the princess theme, its circular chiffon drapes making it particularly suitable for the older woman.

Household Hints.

USES FOR LEMONS.

Lemons are invaluable in the home, for they are useful in so many ways.

If placed in water they may be kept fresh and juicy for weeks, providing the water is changed every day.

For a cold in the head put two teaspoonfuls of black currant jam into a tumbler of hot water and add the juice of a lemon and a little of the rind. This is excellent if taken just before retiring.

After making lemonade, do not throw away the pips—they can be used for cleaning discoloured glass if put into salted water.

The best way to extract the juice from a lemon is to put it into a warm oven for a few minutes. Then roll with the hands, and the juice can be readily squeezed out.

Gargle with lemon juice if you have the slightest indication of a sore throat, for it possesses antiseptic qualities.

The French method of making mint sauce to serve with mutton or lamb, is to substitute lemon juice for vinegar. The flavour and fragrance of the mint will be emphasised by the delicate acid of the lemon juice.

Half lemons need never be wasted. They can be used for cleaning stains from the hands, and will remove dirty marks from brasswork if first dipped lightly into salt.

For whooping cough, beat together one ounce of honey, one ounce of castor oil, and the juice of a lemon. This has been known to effect a cure when other remedies have failed.

Iron mould may be eased by moistening salt with lemon juice. This should be well rubbed into the mark with the handle of a

The Personal Touch.

THE PERSONAL TOUCH.

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—THELMA COOMBS.

knife. The cloth must then be washed.

Rub your shoes with lemon and you will find that they take a much better polish.

Lemon juice will remove perspiration stains. It will also whiten a sunburnt straw hat.

Ink stains can be removed from paint providing the stain is not a very old one.

If taken in black coffee or tea, lemon juice will often cure a headache, and if a fish bone has become lodged in the throat, slowly suck a lemon and the bone will soon dissolve.

Taken internally, they will improve the complexion, and are particularly beneficial to those who suffer with the liver.

Lemons may be kept for months if the following method is carried out. Into a deep earthenware pan put a layer of fine, dry sand sur-

New Make-up.

FOR THE AUTUMN.

The beauty specialists are turning their attention to the new make-up for the autumn.

"On my recent visit to Paris I paid special attention to the newest dress development," said the owner of a well-known Dover-street salon. "Dark red is a favourite day-dress colour, many richly patterned printed velvets are being used, and black is frequent for evening wear. Therefore the very brilliant make-up of four months ago and the sporting tan of September are quite impossible for autumn and winter.

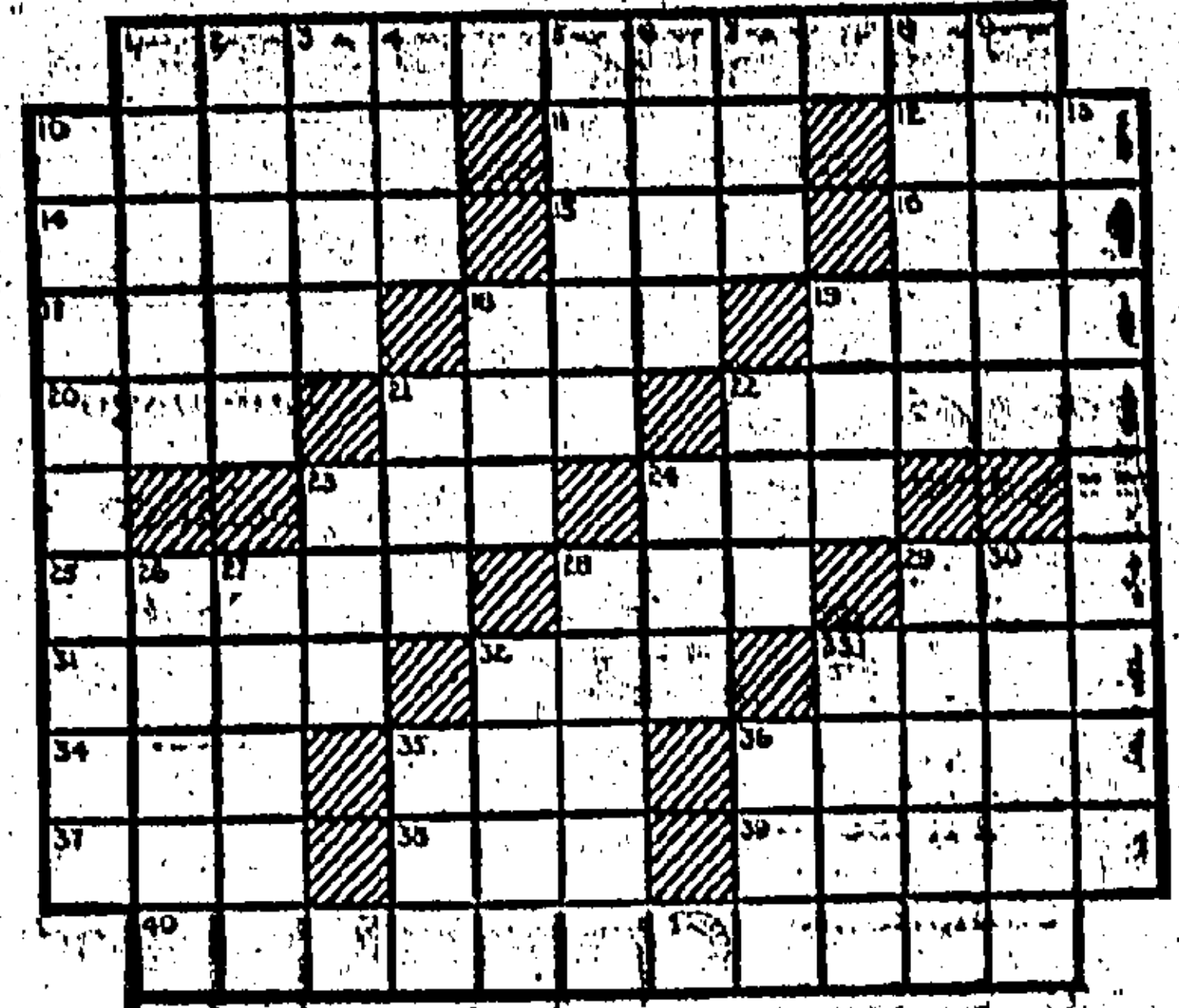
The Choice of Rouge.

"The choice of rouge for the new make-up must be made with the greatest care, for one must on no account appear to be rouged. It must also be applied very carefully to give no more than a delicate flush to the face. Rose-orange is a wise choice for fair complexions, and is made to tone with the new lipstick, dark mandarine being my advice for brunettes.

"The three new shades of powder—pale, medium, and fonce—are blended with a brownish-pink colour. The deepest shade is being used for women who have returned thoroughly tanned from their shooting, yachting, or bathing holidays, and it gives the tan a 'pinkish hue'."

Scient to well cover the bottom of the pan. On this put as many lemons, stalk and downwards, as possible, without touching each other. Over those put another layer of sand, covering the lemons completely. Place more lemons in the same way, and repeat until the pan is full, being careful to allow plenty of sand between each row of lemons, and keep in a cool place.

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Horizontal

1. To have mastery or controlling influence.
10. To relinquish.
11. Frozen water.
12. Scarlet.
14. Pertaining to the Alps.
15. To pull along.
16. Native metal.
17. To change.
18. Indolent encysted tumor.
19. To slide.
20. Sea eagle.
21. Sailor.
22. A fray.
23. Insane.
24. Feline animal.
25. Tamarack.
26. Aperture.
29. A wooden tray for carrying mortar.
31. Holly.
32. Writing implement.
33. Sweet smelling flower.
34. Point.
35. Whitticism.
36. Cutting tool for metal.
37. To place out.
38. Black bird of the cuckoo family.
39. Valuable property.
40. To work for a person on a political ticket.

Vertical

6. Image.
7. Recent.
8. Dwarf also a giant.
9. World.
10. A basic phosphate of aluminum.
13. Subordinate.
18. Soft mass.
19. Group of matching articles.
21. Toll or duty.
22. Geographical drawing.
23. To mingle.
24. Tin container for prepared food.
26. Identical.
27. To resist.
28. Demons.
29. Equine animal.
30. Basket rod.
32. Narrow, flat-bottomed boat.
33. Artifice.
35. Type of moccasins.
36. To cure.

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"FIREMEN SAVE MY CHILD."

AMUSING COMEDY COMING TO QUEEN'S.

Wallace Beery and Raymond Hatton, the infatigable comedy team, who will be remembered for their antics in "Behind the Front" and "We're in the Navy Now" are back once more in what has been acclaimed the funniest farce of their careers, "Firemen Save My Child," which arrives at the Queen's Theatre on Sunday. In the plot of "Firemen Save My Child" these two "heroes" have found an ideal story. They don the blue of the fire fighters, with the same difficulty at finding uniforms which fit, that beset them in the army and navy pictures and find themselves literally catapulted into a series of amusing adventures in which they succeed in all but wrecking one town's entire fire fighting system. However, the end of a thoroughly entertaining film finds them real "heroes" again in spite of everything.

"DRUMS OF LOVE."

FEATURES OF BIG PRODUCTION.

In making "Drums of Love," the big production which is now showing at the Queen's Theatre, D. W. Griffith has introduced to the screen an entirely new idea. Perhaps for the first time in the history of motion pictures, he has co-ordinated the work of the camera with the work of artists

LABOUR AGAINST COALITION.

WOULD SMASH PARTY TO SMITHEREENS.

London, Oct. 12. Mr. George Lansbury, M.P., whose speech as chairman of the Labour Conference at Birmingham began the present discussion on the Liberal-Labour relations, in an interview said that Mr. Lloyd George appeared to demand the formation of a Coalition Government as a condition of his support of the Socialist measures, but any such coalition would be rejected and if attempted would smash the Party to smithereens.

Lord Plumer has succeeded Viscount Byn as President of the Village Centres Council, which is the body responsible for the Enham Village Centre, near Andover, for disabled ex-Service men.

so as to make the quality of the pictures take an integral part of the dramatic action.

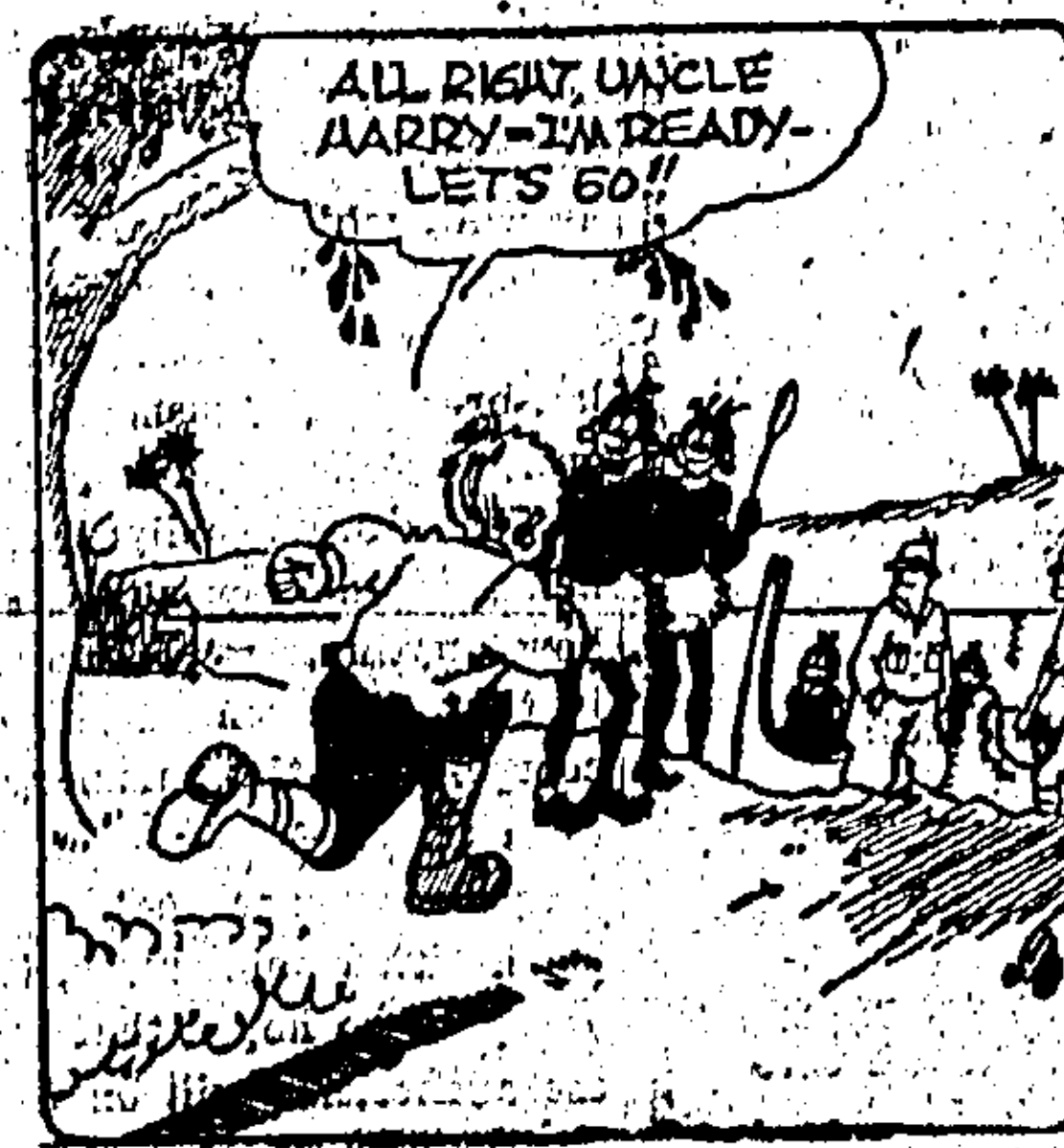
There are other characteristics of "Drums of Love" which, in the eyes of its makers, makes it exceptional. The treatment accorded the old legend of Francesca da Rimini which has been an inspiration to artists since Dante is unusual. The scene of the story is moved from Continental Europe to South America at the time of its greatest flowering, when the splendours of the Court of Portugal were moved to the vast new Empire by King Don John. "Drums of Love" will be shown until tomorrow.

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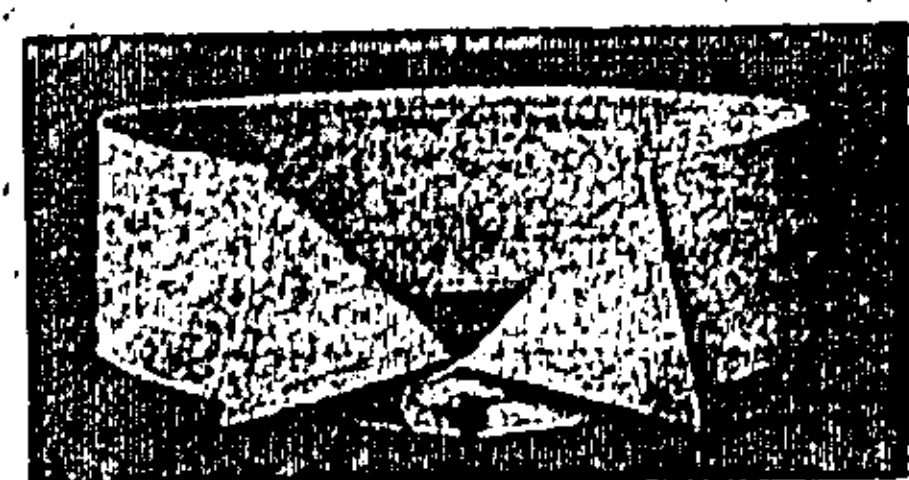
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DEATH.

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The Hongkong Telegraph.

FRIDAY, NOV. 9, 1928

PIRATES & OPIUM.

If the Nationalist Government in Nanking carries through a tithe of the many things which it has recently promised to do in the way of reform and reconstruction throughout the country, it will have established itself on firm ground as an Administration not only willing to rule China, but capable of doing so. Two matters which have just come to the fore are bandit suppression and the eradication of the opium evil. In regard to the former, we have become quite accustomed to reading fine-sounding decrees by provincial and central authorities for the carrying out of comprehensive schemes aimed at keeping down bandit activities and preventing piratical operations, and the same may be said in regard to the opium question. Unhappily, however, these schemes have seldom got beyond the paper stage, with the result that conditions under both these headings are as bad today as they ever have been.

The recent recrudescence of trouble caused by bandits and pirates on the Yangtze, in which foreign shipping has severely suffered, is apparently now being taken note of by the Nationalist Government, and, as a consequence, the State Council has ordered troops to co-operate with the police in raiding suspected strongholds of these brigands. It would also appear that the order is to be extended so as to cover other areas as well, whilst we are told that the law is to be strengthened so as to increase the punishment of the law-breakers. Inasmuch, however, as pirates and bandits caught in China are usually shot out of hand, we do not altogether see how anything more can be done in that direction. It may be, of course, that the summary executions to which we have become accustomed are not altogether legal. This point aside, it is sincerely to be hoped that the Chinese authorities will on this occasion show that they mean what they say when they talk of systematic raids on the brigands.

strongholds, many of which must be known at any rate to local administrations. A continuance of piracies and of bandit outrages, in which foreigners suffer, can only have the result of causing the Powers to doubt the ability of the Nationalist Government to maintain order and to give due protection to their nationals. On this matter, Nanking will be judged by what she does, and not by what she promises to do.

The opium problem is admittedly a huge one, by reason of the degree to which poppy cultivation has increased in recent years. At the inaugural meeting of the National Opium Suppression Conference last week, Dr. C. T. Wang, the Foreign Minister, attempted to show that opium-smoking amongst the Chinese was largely to be accounted for by the fact that so many of them lived an indoor life, and he put forward the idea of the development of outdoor recreation as being the best means of eradicating the habit. There is point in his argument, and there can be no doubting the value of sport to the rising generation. But we have to remember the other side of the question, which is that military and civil officials all over the country have in recent years been making huge sums of money out of opium-growing, and the evil will need to be tackled also from this end if any success is to be attained. Indeed, the various Provincial Opium Suppression Bureaux have made the establishment of monopolies, and not suppression of the traffic, their main business. Nanking now has an opportunity of showing what can be done by fearlessly tackling the problem, but unless the matter is honestly faced, no improvement is likely to result.

The Naval Flasco.

There is not the slightest doubt that Lord Cushendun, in his statement on the rejected Anglo-French naval compromise, made out a very strong case in defence of the Government—perhaps the strongest that could be made in all the circumstances. We are still convinced, however, that the method adopted in seeking that compromise and the failure to take into account the known viewpoint of other Powers (particularly the United States of America) constituted a piece of bad diplomacy, the blame for which the Government has itself to thank. We accept Lord Cushendun's assertion that wild and malicious rumours and innuendoes were circulated very unfairly, but it remains a fact that those rumours were only made possible by failure on Britain's part to publish the full text of the draft agreement, even though it would have been a departure from the ordinary courtesies of international intercourse, as Lord Cushendun asserts. There was far too much at stake in the way of reputation for Britain to allow the first ugly rumours to develop unchecked, and it does not always behove a Foreign Secretary to treat such wild rumours as being beneath his denial. British secrecy did lend colour to those rumours, even at home, and they should have been refuted at once by the earliest possible publication of the full text. As it so happened, the compromise took a line directly opposed to the American viewpoint, as expressed at the abortive Five-Power naval disarmament conference held at Geneva last year, and that was an added reason why care should have been taken to let the American and British public know the true nature of the suggested arrangement. We do not doubt the good intentions of the British Foreign Office or the truth of the assertion that Britain, publicly and officially, is anxious to promote naval disarmament. Neither do we expect disarmament to be brought about excepting by the method of compromising between the differing viewpoints, but there is a right and wrong way of doing things, and we are left with the opinion, even after Lord Cushendun's very clever defence, that Britain's latest effort has been a rather clumsy and unfortunate one. It is to be hoped that his prediction is true that the cause of disarmament has not received a set-back.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. S. Mayer, mislabeled, c/o the Basel Mission, Hongkong, to Miss J. Kurrie, nurse, of Wilhelmsdorf, Warttemberg, Germany, travelling to Hongkong on board the s.s. Coblenz.

DAY BY DAY.

TRIDULATION WILL NOT HURT YOU UNLESS IT HARDENS YOU AND MAKES YOU SOUR AND NARROW AND SKEPTICAL.—Chaplin.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. D. G. McAvoy, of the A.P.C., to Miss D. B. Cory, No. 12 Shinyendo-Cho, Azabu, Tokyo.

Amongst the passengers who arrived here yesterday by the s.s. Tandu from Australia were Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Bywater and Mr. C. A. Donnelly.

A Chinese man, living at No. 3, Fung Yuen Street, who fell from a bunk during his sleep, yesterday, received injuries which resulted in his death shortly afterwards. The body was taken to the Mortuary.

Yesterday's return of notified diseases shows four cases of smallpox, two of typhoid and one of diphtheria. All were Chinese excepting the diphtheria case, in which the sufferer was a Portuguese.

The Hongkong Post Office notifies for general information that dutiable articles forwarded by letter post to Great Britain are liable to cotaxation by the Customs. Such articles should be forwarded by parcel post only.

Mr. U. Spallinger, the Swiss Consul in Canton, who recently broke his arm while out shooting on a holiday near Shanghai, is said to be progressing favourably and is expected to return to Canton in about a fortnight.

At attempt by a destitute Chinese to commit suicide was frustrated by sampan folk who rescued him after he had leaped into the water from the seawall yesterday. He is now being detained in a mental ward at the Government Civil Hospital.

Naval movements yesterday included the arrival of H.M.S. Bluebell at Chinwangtao from Weihaiwei. On the same day H.M.S. Stormcloud and the transport Dorsetshire arrived at Shanghai from Weihaiwei, while the Seapay left Shanghai for Hongkong.

The Indian constable, who was arrested in Kowloon City on a charge of assaulting a young girl was again before the Court this morning when the hearing was provisionally fixed for the afternoon of November 22. Mr. Leo d'Almada Jnr. (instructed by Mr. Leo d'Almada snr.) appeared for the defence.

Amongst the passengers who arrived from Home by the P. & O. s.s. Malwa were Mr. and Mrs. T. H. King, Capt. and Mrs. A. A. Nicholas, Mrs. Bloomfield, Mrs. Atwell, Mr. and Mrs. MacAdam, Mr. G. Berkios, Miss K. M. Anderson, Miss M. Sinton, Mr. D. B. Sinclair, Mr. R. H. Wade, Mr. and Mrs. Perry, Mr. J. H. Crocker, and Mr. C. H. Rolfe.

The case in which an Indian chauffeur claimed \$65 damages from a Chinese chauffeur was concluded before Mr. Justice Jackson in the Summary Court yesterday. Judgment was given for the defendant with costs, his Lordship remarking that the defendant's story was the more likely to be true. The plaintiff's version of what took place was described by Mr. Justice Jackson as somewhat fantastic.

Dr. S. W. T'ao, Honorary Commissioner of the Police Reserve, (Chinese Section), with Mrs. T'ao, were the host and hostess at the Chinese Police Reserve Headquarters last evening from 4 to 6 p.m. when a reception was held to which all members of the force, their families and friends were invited. A large number took advantage of Dr. T'ao's hospitality, and a generally convivial air prevailed. The Headquarters were decorated with flags, lanterns and electric bulbs in many colours, and the many guests were loud in their appreciation of the convenience and comfort of the premises.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, Nov. 8.
Paris	124.05
Brussels	34.89
Amsterdam	12.08 1/2
Berlin	20.85
Copenhagen	15.10
Vienna	102 1/2
Hamburg	107 1/2
London	107 1/2
Bucharest	805
Buenos Aires	47 1/2
Bombay	2 1/2
Yokohama	111 1/2
New York	48 1/2
Geneva	25.20
Milan	22.60
Stockholm	18.14
Oslo	16.80
Prague	16.80
Madrid	30.07 1/2
Athens	37 1/2
Rio	5.29 1/2
Bombay	1 1/2
Hongkong	2 1/2
Silver (spot)	28 1/2
Silver (forward)	28 1/2

THE HELENA MAY MUSICALE.

DELIGHTFUL PROGRAMME PRESENTED.

The musicale at the Helena May Institute last evening drew a very large attendance, the hall being packed to overflowing. A programme rich in merit was presented, and the appreciation of those present was shown in no unstinted manner, several encores being demanded.

M. Bonenfant opened the programme with two cello solos—Handel's Largo and Liszt's Prelude. The accompaniments were provided by his wife, and both numbers were much enjoyed. M. Bonenfant showing that he is quite a good instrumentalist.

Mme. Bonenfant, whose brilliance as a pianist is too well known to need emphasis, was heard in Rachmaninoff's Elegie, played with much understanding, and in two Spanish dances by

THE "TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT.

Range of Pictures for Tomorrow.

A feature of to-morrow's Art Supplement will be the diversity of interest reflected in the numerous topical pictures. Besides local events, these will deal with happenings in Canton, Foochow, Shanghai, Lanchow and the Old Country.

Of local pictures, the functions covered will include one lawn bowls singles championship final, the Spey Royal lawn bowls final, the St. Peter's Club garden fete and other happenings, with groups of the Hongkong Police, Emergency Squad, Dairy Farm footballers and a recent wedding.

Some interesting pictures of Luichow City, recently devastated by fire, and a snapshot of prominent Canton officials who took part in a recent tennis tournament will also appear. Wedding pictures will include one of special interest to older residents, namely the marriage at home of the son of Mr. John Collett and the daughter of Mr. A. Collett, both fathers being formerly of the Hongkong Police Force.

Granados. These were interpreted with much delicacy and admirable rhythm. Later in the programme, M. and Mme. Bonenfant were associated in Beethoven's Sonata for piano and cello with most happy effect, and loud applause greeted this really excellent piece of work.

The vocal numbers were provided by Mrs. Bowes-Smith, who once again scored a great triumph. She opened with two delightful French solos—Franck's La Procession and Weckerlin's Deux Bergettes. The first of these is a beautiful song, and the soloist sang it to perfection. She was later heard in MacFadyen's "A Birthday Song" and Hageman's "At the Well." Both were finely rendered, the last-named being a particularly dainty number, sung with much taste. In an encore, Mrs. Bowes-Smith scored an even greater success. She was accompanied in her first two songs by Mme. Bonenfant and in the others by her husband.

NEW TUGBOAT FOR MACAO.

BUILT AT BAILEY AND COMPANY.

On Wednesday Messrs. W. S. Bailey and Co., handed over to the Macao Government the tug boat Berta, which, after satisfactory steam trials, left that day for Macao.

The new vessel is of steel 80ft. on keel 18ft. 6 in. breadth and 8ft. 9 in. depth and built throughout to Lloyd's requirements under supervision of the Government naval architect, Mr. Joao Valente d'Almeida, and the Engineer, Inspector, Mr. Joao Batista Pinto de Sousa. The triple expansion engines of 320 horse power, working at 175 lbs. pressure, are those taken from the previous Berta now dismantled. The new vessel made an average speed on trials of 11.10 miles per hour and handled very easily when turning and without any "heel" of vessel.

There is a saloon neatly panelled in teakwood and two staterooms below deck forward, with Captain's room on main deck and wheelhouse on bridge; sailons and foremen have quarters aft.

The vessel is fitted with strong towing gear, with slip hook and towing beam, the strain being taken amidships and there are also two strong towing posts at either bow, two each side amidships and one aft.

The Very Idea!

What is the oldest English song? It is a little, lilting lyric of spring, written about the year thirteen hundred. And who wrote it? Some unknown poet, wandering in the woods, and seeing all the green about him, and hearing the cuckoo's cry. The poem is written in Anglo-Saxon, almost an unknown tongue to us, yet it was the first English in England. There was no English language at all before the thirteenth century. There was Latin and there was Norman-French, and the latter was the language of the rulers of the land, while the peasantry spoke Anglo-Saxon. Then at last the two languages were fused, and the English tongue was born. Perhaps to celebrate it, this unknown poet and musician burst forth into song:

Somer is y-cumen in,
Loud sing, cuckoo;
Groweth seed,
And blometh mead,
And spring'th the wood now:
Sing cuckoo!
Ewe blenteth after Lamb,
Low'th after calf cow.
Bullock starteth
Buck verteth,
Merry sing, cuckoo!
Cuckoo, cuckoo!
Well sings thou, cuckoo!
Nor cease thou never now.

A Scotsman, was taking home a goose, but on the way he called for a drink at a pub, placing the bird on a seat nearby. When he was ready to go he was surprised to find that the bird had disappeared.

On going outside he saw a man with a net and said, "What are ye dachin' wi' ma goose?"

"Oh, I took it for a lark," was the reply.
"Ye took it for a lark, did ye?"
"Ye'd be a dashed pair judge at a bird show!"

Decisions of big battles when passed from mouth to mouth are as apt to become a trifle distorted as any other messages passed from person to person—to wit, recall the military message, sent down the line during the war, "Going to advance; send reinforcements" reaching its destination as "Going to a dance; send three and fourpence."

[A serious rather than a happy expression is now favoured by fashionable photographers.]

All smiles abandon, ye who enter here;

Compose your features—think and look severe.

In this grim shrine of photographic art

It's up to you to play the sombre part.

Frown on reflections pleasant and benign

And recollect not last week's Nuts and Wine.

Express a vague, mysterious, soulful yearn

Or look implacable, remorseless, stern.

Remember, the ideal of those who sit

Is just to set their teeth and do their bit

To kill for ever the obsequious wheeze

That terminated in "Look pleasant, please."

Sportsman: "Here's three evenings in succession we've come to this park and haven't been able to get a court. I've a good mind to write to the papers about it!"

Fair Companion: "Well, you know best about that, Fred, but don't go and upset your amateur status!"

Women witness at Old Bailey: He had on these How-de-do stockings and knicker-bockers. I think he was going golfing.

Woman magistrate at Acton to a woman complaining of a neighbour's remarks: She will soon become tired if you take no notice of what she says.

Willenden magistrate: Are you the Mr. Jones complained of in this letter? Applicant: No, that is the legal man I went to.

Willenden woman: I want a summons against my husband. Three years ago he threatened my life.

Solicitor to woman at Shore-ditch County Court: Is your husband here?—Woman: I left the pretty dear in bed.

Solicitor, appearing for a woman, to another woman at Shore-ditch: She says your language is bad.—Woman: What is the matter with it? Is she jealous of it?

Mr. Ringley, the Marylebone magistrate: "Owing to the new decoration of the court it is almost impossible to see any one." The court has been repainted in white, primrose yellow, and deep brown.

Lord Justice-Scrutton, during the hearing of an appeal concerning the flotation of a company: It makes my mouth water to hear of all these profits. I am going into company promoting.

TWO MOTORS SOLD FOR \$135!**AMUSING AUCTION TO-DAY IN STATUE SQUARE.****SALE OF OLD CROCKS.**

Two dilapidated motor-cars, one a Dodge Four and the other a Hudson Six, attracted a goodly gathering of Chinese and Indians in Statue Square this morning, when the cars were auctioned off by Mr. E. J. Figueroa, of Messrs. Hughes and Hough. The former fetched \$80, and the latter was sold for the humble figure of \$55!

A good deal of amusement was created while the virtues of the vehicles were being extolled. Bidding for the Dodge, which was stated to have been manufactured in 1919, commenced at \$50 and it was knocked down when another \$30 had been put on the price.

A \$50 bid started the ball rolling for the Hudson, but some bright person, who apparently knew more about the car than others present, announced that the tyres had been lent solely for the purpose of taking the car to Statue Square and the eventual buyer would be left with the bare rime! The \$50 bid became \$10 on the spot. Moved by this expression of business acumen, the Telegraph representative who was present inspected the tyres. The impression gathered from their threadbare nature was that they might be the original tyres put on the rims when the car was turned out of the factory in 1916.

A cynic might possibly have said that they were the first tyres ever made, but the bidder apparently thought that a tyre was a tyre for all that.

Exhorted to inspect the remarkable bargain offered and to seize the opportunity of getting something for nothing, the bids slowly mounted to \$55, at which figure the car was sold.

Asked by the Telegraph reporter "What is wrong with the cars?" an interested party cheerfully explained that the buyers took the risks. "There might be," he said, "no pistons in the cylinders, no transmission, no magneto or carburettor, or no crankshaft." He further pointed out that the Dodge, for example had been relieved of its petrol tank!

CORRESPONDENCE.**ARMISTICE DAY.**

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—May we trespass on the space in your columns for the purpose of bringing to the notice of all men and women who served in the year 1914/18 that it is hoped to secure a record attendance at the Cathedral on Armistice Day November 11th at 9.45 a.m. Will those who intend to be present please collect at top of Battery Path at 9.30 a.m.?

The service will be a short one and will be followed by the ceremony of laying wreaths on the Cathedral Memorial to Hongkong men.

From the Cathedral, those attending who prefer to do so can proceed independently to the Cenotaph for the customary ceremony of remembrance.

Those who are unable to be present at the Cathedral should make a point of being at the Cenotaph (collecting at the corner of Cenotaph area near Queen Victoria's Statue at 10.40 a.m.).

This being the tenth anniversary of the Armistice, it is particularly desirable that the attendance of Ex-Service civilians, whether or not belonging to the undersigned Associations may be worthy of the occasion.

The E. A. S. M. A. and the British Legion at 9.15 a.m. are also placing wreaths on the Memorial erected in the Public Gardens to the Chinese who lost their lives in the war.—Yours etc.

T. T. LAURENSEN,
President E.A.S.M.A.
G. K. HALL BRUTTON,
President British Legion.
A. PHIBBS,
Sec. British Legion.

RUMANIAN POLITICS.**M. TITULESCO INVITED TO FORM CABINET.**

Bucharest, Nov. 8. The Regency Council, which has been consulting the various party leaders for the purpose of forming a Coalition Government, has invited the ex-Foreign Minister, M. Titulesco, to form a Ministry of National Union.

M. Titulesco has asked for time to consider the request.

Previously, M. Maniu, the leader of the Peasants' Party, had informed the Council that his party was prepared to take sole responsibility for the control of affairs.—Reuter.

KOWLOON LATRINE THEFTS.**POLICE CATCH TWO OF THE OFFENDERS.****PRISON SENTENCES.**

Public latrines in various districts on the mainland have had to be temporarily closed or provided with improvised gadgets for the flushing system, consequent upon the removal from several of them of the bronze automatic syphon bells with which the tanks are fitted.

Practically every day since October 25, one or other of Kowloon's public latrines has been stripped of the automatic flushing appliance and as the syphon bells were obtained from England, great inconvenience had been caused to the general public and the Sanitary Department under whose supervision these buildings come.

Early on Wednesday morning Sub-Inspector Horne, Sergeant Brittain and Sanitary Inspector Roylance kept a constant watch on the two public latrines in Shamshui. Shortly after 3 a.m., Sergeant Brittain and his vigilance rewarded by three men who were seen to approach the ladies' compartment of the latrine in Yen Chow Street.

One man was seen to enter the building, while the other two remained outside, on each side of the entrance. The police began to creep nearer in order to get a better view of what was going on when suddenly one of the men outside beckoned to the one who had gone inside.

All three then took to their heels and ran away, two being arrested after a chase. When the police re-visited the scene, footprints were found on the wall where a man had attempted to remove the syphon bell. Two arrests were later made.

The two men who were arrested were charged before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with attempting to steal the syphon bell.

It was given in evidence that the men were first seen to enter the men's compartment and then go round the corner to the ladies' compartment.

According to Sub-Inspector Horne, the appliances cost \$25 each and could not be obtained locally.

His Worship described the offence as having caused a serious nuisance and annoyance to the whole neighbourhood.

The first defendant who had gone inside the latrine, and who was only 17 years old, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour, his Worship remarking that he was a misled youth. The second defendant, whose age was given as 24, was sentenced to four months' hard labour, he being described as the ringleader.

WITHDRAWAL NOT GRANTED.**SOLICITOR'S UNSUCCESSFUL APPLICATION.****RELATIVE ROBBED?**

Mr. F. H. Loseby made an unsuccessful application before Mr. R. E. Lindell, this morning, for the withdrawal of a case in which a clerk employed in his office was the complainant.

Of the three men involved, one was charged with stealing clothing and valuables amounting to over \$50 in value, while the others were charged with receiving.

It was alleged that while enjoying the hospitality of the complainant who is a relative of his, the first man stole the property and dropped it out of the window to the others, who were waiting below.

In applying for the withdrawal of the case, Mr. Loseby informed the Court that the first man was the only son of a woman who was solely dependent on him for support.

His Worship:—How about the other two defendants? Mr. Loseby replied that he did not think he had sufficient evidence upon which to proceed against these two alleged receivers.

His Worship said he could not withdraw the case unless the police agreed.

After an interview with the Director of Criminal Intelligence, Mr. Loseby informed his Worship that Mr. Perdue had asked him (Mr. Loseby) to ask his Worship for a week's remand.

His Worship's view, as regards this, was that a remand for the period asked for was not necessary. Later, after having heard the defendants' pleas on the charges, Mr. Lindell granted a remand till Thursday.

Bail was granted to the two men charged with receiving in a sum of \$100 each.

MR. YADA RESUMES CONVERSATION.**ALL SUBJECTS COVERED IN LATEST PARLEY.****SETTLEMENT HOPES.**

Nanking, Nov. 8. Mr. S. Yada, the Japanese Consul-General at Shanghai, who has been carrying on informal negotiations on Sino-Japanese complications with Dr. C. T. Wang, the Nationalist Foreign Minister, arrived at Nanking for the second time this morning.

Approached by Chinese journalists, Mr. Yada intimated that his mission to the capital is to dispel Chinese rumours regarding the insincerity of the Japanese Government and to carry on the negotiations with earnestness and determination in order to secure an early settlement of all outstanding problems.

This morning, the Japanese Consul visited Mr. T. S. Soong, the Nationalist Minister of Finance.

About Hong Kong**Do you know that—**

In the early days of the Colony the authorities did not know where to send its convicts?

In 1844, it was provided that offenders convicted and being under sentence of transportation were to be sent at the first convenient opportunity to Van Diemen's Land. A year later, this order was revoked, the reason given being that no provision had been made in that Colony for the reception of such offenders.

In 1846, a way out of this difficulty was apparently found, for Chinese offenders under sentence of transportation were ordered to be sent to the Province of Szechuan, in the East Indies, or to Singapore.

In 1889, the Cape of Good Hope was the place designated for the reception of such offenders, although there is evidence that in the same year white convicts sentenced by Courts Martial in Hongkong were still being sent to Van Diemen's Land.

Minister of Finance, and discussed with him for over two hours questions regarding the Salt Gabelle and the tariff issue. In the afternoon, Mr. Yada visited Dr. C. T. Wang, and it is understood that the conversations were confined to the Nanking and Hankow incidents.

Chinese observers hold the view that, judging from the return visit of Mr. Yada and recent developments, there are indications that both Governments will reach a settlement of the Nanking and Hankow incidents, before dealing with the other outstanding questions.

"SOME DRIZZLE."

To-day's Observatory report states that the depression has moved to the north-north-east of Tokyo. The anticyclone is central to the north of the Lower Yangtze Valley. Strong monsoon may be expected along the south-east coast of China and fresh monsoon over the North China Sea. The forecast till noon to-morrow is:—North winds, fresh; generally overcast; some drizzle.

DEATH THREAT TO CHINESE.**TERRORIST SOCIETY ACTIVE IN MANILA.****POLICE ON ALERT.**

Manila, Nov. 5. Many Chinese merchants of the city have been molested in the past few days by agents from a new Chinese secret society, patterned very much after the dreaded Italian Mafia.

These agents have been known to threaten with death any Chinese who refuses their offer to join the society. The majority of these agents have been able to collect Pesos 50 as an entrance fee to the society from each of the persons they have approached.

The Chinese who refused to join the society and who were consequently threatened with death, complained to the Chinese Consul General in the Philippines, who instantly reported the case to the Manila secret service division of the city.

The case is now under the strictest police investigation. Special police protection has been given to the Chinese persons threatened.

The society, its aims, and its threats are at present the gossip of Chinatown.

TALE OF TWO COATS.**TOO CLEAN FOR A COOLIE.**

A street-coolie who was seen carrying two clean coats which contrasted oddly with the torn and dirty garments he wore, was taken into custody by a district watchman, yesterday. A suspicion having been engendered that the clothes were illegally obtained, the coolie was brought before Mr. R. E. Lindell on a receiving charge.

The man stated he bought the coats at a stall, in Lascar Row, which dealt in second-hand goods.

He had not a cent when arrested, and the Bench enquired where he secured the means with which to make the purchase.

The reply was that he earned 60 cents the previous day, and that after paying for the coats, he still had ten cents, with which to give himself a treat at a tea-house.

A coolie and clean clothes seemed things apart, and the question was again asked of him why he should want such good coats? He would not want them, say if he were sleeping in the streets.

He rejoined that he would want a wash now and then. He had just had one and was looking forward to wearing the new garments, before being interfered with by the watchman.

Evidence was called from the watchman, but this proved to be so unsatisfactory that Mr. Lindell, out short further proceedings and gave the coolie his liberty. The coats were returned to the coolie who went away rejoicing.

Doncaster.—Watches purchased with money voluntarily subscribed by constables of the Doncaster district to mark their appreciation of the assistance civilians had rendered to one of their colleagues, who was attacked by a hostile crowd, were presented to five persons at the Doncaster (West Riding) Police Court. The civilians had rescued Police-Constable Clarke from the clutches of several men, who attacked him, and rendered him unconscious.

TERRIBLE MOTOR SMASH.**EUROPEANS KILLED WHEN CAR TOPPLES OVER.****RANGOON TRAGEDY.**

Rangoon, Oct. 15.

What must be the worst motor accident that has occurred in Burma, happened yesterday (Sunday) afternoon, at the 86th mile on the Rangoon-Pegu Road, as a result of which three people, were killed on the spot and three others were seriously injured, one having to have a foot amputated.

It appears that about five car loads of teachers and pupils of St. Euphrasia's Convent, Pegu, went on a picnic to Pegu. They started to return about 3 p.m. The last car to leave Pegu was car No. R. A. 9124, a six-cylinder Howarth Erskine, with six passengers, Miss Pearl Reardon, Miss Mary Daniels, Ma Hla Thein, Miss Caroline Porter, Miss Ella Gerrard and the driver, Mr. Cassim.

Dash Into Tree.

About the 86th mile from Rangoon, they overtook a bus and, though the road is fairly narrow here, the driver of the car tried to pass the bus with the result that the car dashed into a tree, and fell down a 15-foot slope into a pool of water three feet deep. Three of the occupants were killed on the spot and three were severely injured.

Those killed were:

Miss Ella Gerrard (17) daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerrard of Rosebank Road, and a student at the St. Euphrasia's Convent;

Miss Caroline Porter (23) teacher, St. Euphrasia's Convent; and Mr. Cassim, the driver of the car.

Those injured were:

Miss Pearl Reardon (16) student.

Ma Hla Thein, relative of U Ba Tin, of Dalla, the owner of the car; and

Miss Mary Daniels, teacher in the Convent.

The force of the impact with the tree must have been great, as the car was completely crumpled up, the doors and hood being wrenched off.

Miss Porter must have been thrown out immediately the collision occurred and, judging from the injuries, her face being cut and battered almost out of recognition, she must have been thrown against the tree.

Terrible Injuries.

The lifeless body of the driver, all battered and bruised, was found halfway down the slope; and Miss Gerrard and the others were pinned in the car till it reached the pool at the bottom of the slope. Miss Gerrard was found to be dead, her chest having been crushed in. Miss Daniels and Ma Hla Thein, bewildered and only semi-conscious, succeeded in getting out of the car and Miss Daniels succeeded in attracting the notice of a passing bus and sent word to Rangoon for help.

This bus called at Brookings Street Police Station at 7 p.m. Deputy Inspector Thomas, Sub-Inspectors Colquhoun and Duckworth and Serpts. Lavender and Shead immediately set out in a car for the scene, which they reached at 9.30 p.m.

Meantime the Hlegu Police had been notified and they turned up and took the three injured persons to the Hlegu hospital where first aid was rendered. Rangoon was telephoned to and later the Municipal ambulance went out and brought the injured to the Rangoon General Hospital, which was reached about 2 a.m.

Miss Daniels was found to be most seriously injured and one foot, which was badly crushed, had to be amputated. Ma Hla Thein and Miss Reardon were a mass of bruises and contusions and Miss Reardon's neck had been broken.

The Police party from Rangoon met the dead bodies being brought in by Captain Musgrave, and Mr. J. L. Nasse and Mr. King of Messrs. McKenzie and Co.

A party of five Bengalis behaved most courteously. As they were passing they learnt of the accident and at once gave up their car for the removal of the injured to the Hlegu Hospital.

Ghastly Scene.

At the same time a large party of lads belonging to the Port Commissioners were at Pegu for a picnic. They left about an hour after the last car load of girls and on reaching the scene found only the dead bodies and the smashed up car. From the Bengalis they learnt that the injured had been removed to the hospital, and room was made for the Bengalis in their buses. On arrival at Rangoon they at once gave information to those concerned. The scene according to them and the police was ghastly.

Miss Gerrard and Miss Porter were buried this afternoon.

NOVEMBER 11th. Wear a Flanders Poppy.

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HOCKEY.

THE UNIVERSITY DEFEAT THE GARRISON SERGTS. MESS.

In a match at Pokfulam on Wednesday, the University "A" defeated the team from the Garrison Sergeants' Mess by five goals to nil. The score, however, is no indication of the run of the game, which was well contested throughout, the University only managing to put in a solitary goal during the first half.

It was not until late in the game that the University forwards got going and combined with accurate shooting on the part of Adams, Gan and Roy, they took their score to five goals.

K.I.T.C. Beat Queen's Sergts. Mess. The Sergeants' Mess of the Queen's Regiment entertained the K.I.T.C. at a return hockey match yesterday on their ground at Shamshuipo. In the first half the Kowloon Indians were leading by one goal to nil. The Sergeants levelled up soon after the beginning of the second half. At the finish of the game, however, the Kowloon Indians were victors by three goals to one.

The game was at times very hotly contested, and the result was altogether a surprise as the Sergeants are supposed to possess a strong team.

LOCAL CRICKET.

HONGKONG AND KOWLOON TO MEET.

On Saturday and Monday, the Hongkong and K.C.C. teams will meet on the Hongkong ground, the match starting at 2 p.m. on Saturday. The Kowloon team will be: F. Goodwin, W. Brace, S. Jex, A. W. Ramsey, E. C. Fincher, E. F. Fincher, N. H. Ross, G. A. V. Hall, Capt. J. B. Vedder, F. S. W. Smith and A. E. Silkatone.

The 2nd eleven meet at Kowloon, the home team being: R. E. Lindell, H. Overy, G. Lee, A. J. V. Smith, F. Hamblin, J. J. Hirst, N. MacKay, A. R. F. Raven, O. B. Raven, D. S. Green and F. Cavenay.

INTERPORT PLAYER.

MR. L. GOLDMAN TRANS- FERRED TO HONGKONG.

Among the passengers arriving by the s.s. Macedonia is Mr. L. Goldman, recently transferred from Shanghai to Hongkong, where he will represent the Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation, Limited.

As will be remembered he is Shanghai's leading all-round athlete, having secured Inter-port honours for Rugby, Soccer and Cricket. He is also a very useful tennis player and was in the finals of the Shanghai Doubles Championship, so should prove to be a welcome addition to the Colony's sporting life.

THE WORLD OF SPORT



LEAGUE FOOTBALL TO-MORROW.

QUEEN'S AND ATHLETIC IN OPPOSITION.

KEEN GAME LIKELY.

The China Athletic and the Queen's match is the chief attraction in football circles to-morrow and should draw a very big crowd to the Hongkong Football Club ground. This will probably be the match of the season. Neither team has suffered defeat yet, and much will therefore depend up the result.

One of the matches down for to-morrow was decided during the week. This was between the Police and the Club de Recreo, the latter winning by the odd goal. The full programme is as follows:

Division I.

China Athletic v Queen's.
Kowloon v Navy.
South China v Small Units.
K.O.S.B. v Hongkong F. C.

Division II.

Queen's v South China "B".
South China "A" v Recreo.
China Athletic v St. Joseph's.
R.A.F. v Kowloon.
Eastern v Royal Artillery.
K.O.S.B. v Navy.
Small Units v University.

Much will depend upon how the Queen's forwards shape in the match against China Athletic. They have improved somewhat the last week or two, but there is still a lack of determination in front of goal. After all, it is goals that count and the value of good scoring forwards cannot be over-estimated. Mid-field work is of little account unless a team has the men who can snap up the opportunities offering near the goal-mouth.

In this respect, the Queen's forwards have not impressed. They will be up against a sound defence and if they are to win they will have to turn to account any slackness in defence of the opposing side.

The Chinese have about the best balanced team in the League and, encouraged by thousands of supporters, they can be depended upon to go all out to win. On paper the sides appear to be very evenly matched and it is unlikely there will be more than one goal between them at the close.

The K.O.S.B. should not have a lot of difficulty in accounting for the Club. Their new centre will introduce still further life into an already virile attack and the Club defence will probably have a very busy afternoon in keeping them out.

There is not much wrong with the Club defence, but the attack is a long way from being up to the usual Club standard. Bishop and McBride are operating on each side of Reid and may make a difference.

Kowloon have also been experimenting with their forward line this season without success, but now appear to have definitely decided to concentrate on defence. Ella will partner Baldwin at back. Spary again leads a moderate forward line. Kowloon's opponents, the Navy, have been improving the last few weeks and can be depended upon to give the home team a very good game. Indeed, it is quite possible that they may win.

South China should improve their goal average at the expense of the Small Units. The latter have made a bad beginning in their first season in the League.

In the second division, the Queen's should win again. They are too good for South China "B". South China "A" will probably account for the Club de Recreo and the Athletic stand a very good chance of beating St. Joseph's.

The meeting of R.A.F. and Kowloon should produce a fairly even game.

The K.O.S.B. look just a little too good for the Navy. University will take the points from the Small Units and Eastern are likely to make the Artillery go all out to win.

The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon Football Club ground, kick-off at 5.15 p.m.:—Angus, Pile, Baldwin, Hedley, Sims, McKelvie, Cleme (F.C.), Cornwall, Spray, Miles and Hayes. Reserve:—Dunn.

The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon 2nd XI v. R.A.F. on the Club de Recreo ground, kick-off at 2.45 p.m.:—Angus, Hast, Nicholls, Robson, Easterbrook, Blacklock, Haenan, Davis, Sutherland, King and Eastman. Reserves:—Moss, White and Seddon.

CANTON FOOTBALL.

WIN FOR HONGKONG CHINESE.

A very interesting game of football was played on Tuesday afternoon on the ground of the Chung Shan University, Canton, between the Hongkong Chinese Athletic Association visiting Canton in connection with the Kwangtung Athletic Meet.

Unfortunately the game was arranged at the last minute and "Canton" were unable to put up their full strength, but it is hoped that there will be more games of this nature during the present season. In fact, Canton hopes to be able to send down a full strength Interport team to Hongkong.

In Tuesday's game the Hongkong Chinese Athletic Association were considerably stronger than their opponents and at half-time the score stood at three to nil in favour of Hongkong.

In the second half, Canton scored one goal after a centre from the right wing. Ozorio headed a brilliant shot just past the goalkeeper into the corner of the net. The final score was three to one in favour of Hongkong. The Canton defence were especially weak.

The Canton team consisted of A. T. Lay (Shameen Sports Club); W. H. Brown (Shameen Sports Club) and H. T. Buxton (Shameen Sports Club); Rafeek (Club Lusitano); Montalto (Club Lusitano); and Woo (Chung Shan University); Foo (Chung Shan University); Wahab (Club Lusitano); Geo. Duncan, Captain, (Shameen Sports Club); Ozorio (Club Lusitano) and Chan (Lingnam University).

Another point that handicapped Canton very considerably was that as a team they had never played together before. If games of this nature are arranged more frequently, as it is hoped they will be, Canton should be able to put up a very strong team which will compare favourably with anything produced in Hongkong.—Our Own Correspondent.

PLUCKY CHINESE RUNNER.

BOY OF NINE COMPLETES 10,000 METRES.

A sensation was created on the fourth day of the Kwangtung Athletic Meet at the Chung Shan University, Canton, by a nine-year-old boy who entered for and completed the whole of the 10,000 metres race. There was a large number of competitors, all students and youths of at least 17 or 18.

Admiral Chan Chak himself asked the little fellow if he had not made a mistake and pointed out to him the folly of running such a race against much older and better trained runners, but the little boy was absolutely determined to run. He got well away with the other competitors and whereas many of the others were obliged to drop out during the race, he went on at a regular good speed and finished the whole twenty-five circuits of the ground. Though not amongst the first three, he certainly ran a splendid race and outlasted most of the other competitors.—Our Own Correspondent.

BILLIARDS LEAGUE.

DOCKYARD R. C. DEFEATS POLICE.

In the Billiards League, playing against the Land Police at Headquarters last night, the Dockyard Recreation Club were victorious by a good margin, out-pointing their opponents by almost 100. The scores were: Dockyard R.C.: Police:

Jones	89	Kirby	100
Spitty	100	Kelly	29
Lewis	100	Carey	57
Sullivan	83	Edwards	100
Arm	100	George	82
Bennett	91	Whant	100
Total	563		468

SATURDAY'S CRICKET.

CHINESE v. ROYAL ARTILLERY.

The following have been selected to represent the Chinese R. C. in a friendly match against the Royal Artillery at Causeway Bay to-morrow:—W. C. Hung (Capt.), H. Ching, G. Chung, H. Hung, H. G. Hong, W. H. Kwai, Ng See-kyong, Tsai Hung-pui, Tsai Wai-pui, T. E. Yeh and J. L. Youngs. Reserve, K. L. Chan.

FANLING GOLF.

STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY AND MONDAY.

Below we give the starting times for golf at Fanling on Sunday and Monday.

Sunday.

9.24 a.m.—T. Low and H. G. Howard.
9.28 a.m.—H. W. Kent and N. E. Kent.
9.32 a.m.—A. B. Purves and E. des Voaux.
9.36 a.m.—E. P. Fletcher and K. L. Dugan.
9.40 a.m.—E. Potter and P. W. Parker.
9.44 a.m.—C. C. Stark and C. A. M. Smith.
9.48 a.m.—A. H. Ferguson and G. E. Smith.
9.52 a.m.—A. D. Humphreys and K. Valentini.
9.56 a.m.—E. N. Monie and S. M. Munroe.
10.00 a.m.—T. L. Christie and A. E. Lissaman.
10.04 a.m.—S. T. Butlin and F. A. Merry.
10.08 a.m.—J. W. Shewan and E. D. Matthews.
10.12 a.m.—M. D. Scott and M. G. Mills.
10.16 a.m.—A. Leach and N. K. Littlejohn.
10.20 a.m.—G. R. Horridge and A. T. Lay.
10.24 a.m.—L. Yates and H. C. Shrubsole.
10.28 a.m.—D. Ellis and J. Gardner.
10.32 a.m.—J. M. Walker and D. J. Gilmore.
10.36 a.m.—D. M. Goodall and A. Morley.
10.40 a.m.—T. D. E. Pendered and L. G. S. Dodwell.
10.44 a.m.—J. Coulthart and L. G. Scott.
10.48 a.m.—A. B. Raworth and M. M. Mass.
10.52 a.m.—N. L. Smith and H. U. Ireland.
10.56 a.m.—M. Weight and W. N. Fleming.
11.00 a.m.—Silence.
11.04 a.m.—E. P. Streetfield and S. J. H. Fox.
11.08 a.m.—C. P. Ross and E. Hagan.
11.12 a.m.—W. Beveridge and F. H. Swayne.
11.16 a.m.—A. E. Wood and Major Beamish.

Monday.

9.24 a.m.—G. E. Costello and A. L. Thompson.
9.28 a.m.—A. B. Purves and N. K. Littlejohn.
9.32 a.m.—W. A. Stewart and T. Low.
9.36 a.m.—L. Yates and E. Stone.
9.40 a.m.—E. R. Hallifax and C. B. Johnson.
9.44 a.m.—T. D. E. Pendered and J. D. Humphreys.
9.48 a.m.—G. W. Garrett and J. Hall.

THE "SERENADERS."

ENJOYABLE PROGRAMME LAST NIGHT.

Jack Carter and his "Serenaders" gave another enjoyable performance at the Star Theatre last night with a change of programme which demonstrated their versatility as vaudeville entertainers.

New songs were rendered by Miss Valada Snow, one of which, entitled "You Forget to Remember," was much fancied. Mr. Teddy Weatherford was another able singer, and he also amused his audience by his quips and patter.

The Hawaiian group were warmly applauded whenever they appeared, their contributions being especially good.

One of the novelties of the evening was provided by the eccentric performance of Mr. Bo-Diddy who surprised the audience by spinning on his head like a top. The show was much the brighter for the life and spirit which he put into it.

"Jazz Madness" as the next programme of the "Serenaders" is named, will be repeated to-night.

9.52 a.m.—L. G. S. Dodwell and H. U. Ireland.
9.56 a.m.—E. P. Fletcher and D. M. Goodall.
10.00 a.m.—H. Spicer and R. K. Hepburn.
10.04 a.m.—L. Garner and J. E. Mitchell.
10.08 a.m.—E. H. J. Traynes and R. K. M. Simpson.
10.12 a.m.—S. T. Butlin and A. Somerville.
10.16 a.m.—J. M. Walker and J. S. McEachern.
10.20 a.m.—B. J. Lacon and W. K. Dunscombe.
10.24 a.m.—A. D. Humphreys and A. E. Lissaman.
10.28 a.m.—G. S. Hugh-Jones and O. E. C. Marton.
10.32 a.m.—I. MacKay and L. B. Andrews.
10.36 a.m.—W. L. Alexander and H. C. Howard.
10.40 a.m.—F. H. Swayne and J. H. Davy.
10.44 a.m.—A. Leach and F. A. Merry.
10.48 a.m.—H. G. Sheldon and F. A. Perry.
10.52 a.m.—H. A. Mills and J. M. Norrie.
10.56 a.m.—D. Forbes and E. D. Matthews.
11.00 a.m.—F. J. de Rome and J. W. Franks.
11.04 a.m.—P. Jacks and H. D. Browne.
11.08 a.m.—J. Coulthart and R. J. Sneddon.
11.12 a.m.—D. Ellis and J. Gardner.
11.16 a.m.—H. N. Laver and S. J. H. Fox.
11.20 a.m.—E. Potter and P. W. Gardner.
11.24 a.m.—E. D. Lawrence and R. Young.
11.28 a.m.—J. W. C. Bonnar and F. Syne Thomson.

21 YEARS AGO.

SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following items are from the *Hongkong Telegraph* for the week ended November 9th, 1907.

The rate of the dollar on demand was 2s. 0.5/10d.

The Executive Council confirmed the sentence of death passed on the American, William Adsett, for the murder of Gertrude Day-ton.

The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. sold the s.s. Sorogon to a Manila firm. This boat was lying at the Dock's wharf when it was struck by the typhoon of 1906 and sank, being later abandoned to the underwriters. Later, the Dock Co. bought her from the insurance company concerned.

The M. C. L. Fete resulted in a net profit of \$1,300.

There was a review of troops at Happy Valley on the occasion of King Edward's birthday.

HISTORIC VERDUN FILM.

EMOTIONAL SCENES IN FINE WAR PICTURE.

The first public appearance of the Gaumont Company's new film, representing the siege of "Verdun," was enthusiastically welcomed recently at the Marble Arch Pavilion by a large audience which included the French Ambassador.

As an example of craftsmanship the pictures were perfect. Even in the most exciting episodes there was no theatrical over-emphasis.

The leading actors saw to that. They had taken part in the actual fighting. Apparent realism was so perfect that it was almost too much for the audience.

Emotion, however, was intense throughout, from the evacuation of Verdun to Pétain's "They shall not pass," and the fall of fort after fort until Souville alone remained to stop the enemy onrush to the battered Citadel.

The acting was splendid. The mentality of the French and German soldiers was finely contrasted and diversity of character was well illustrated in the different types represented.

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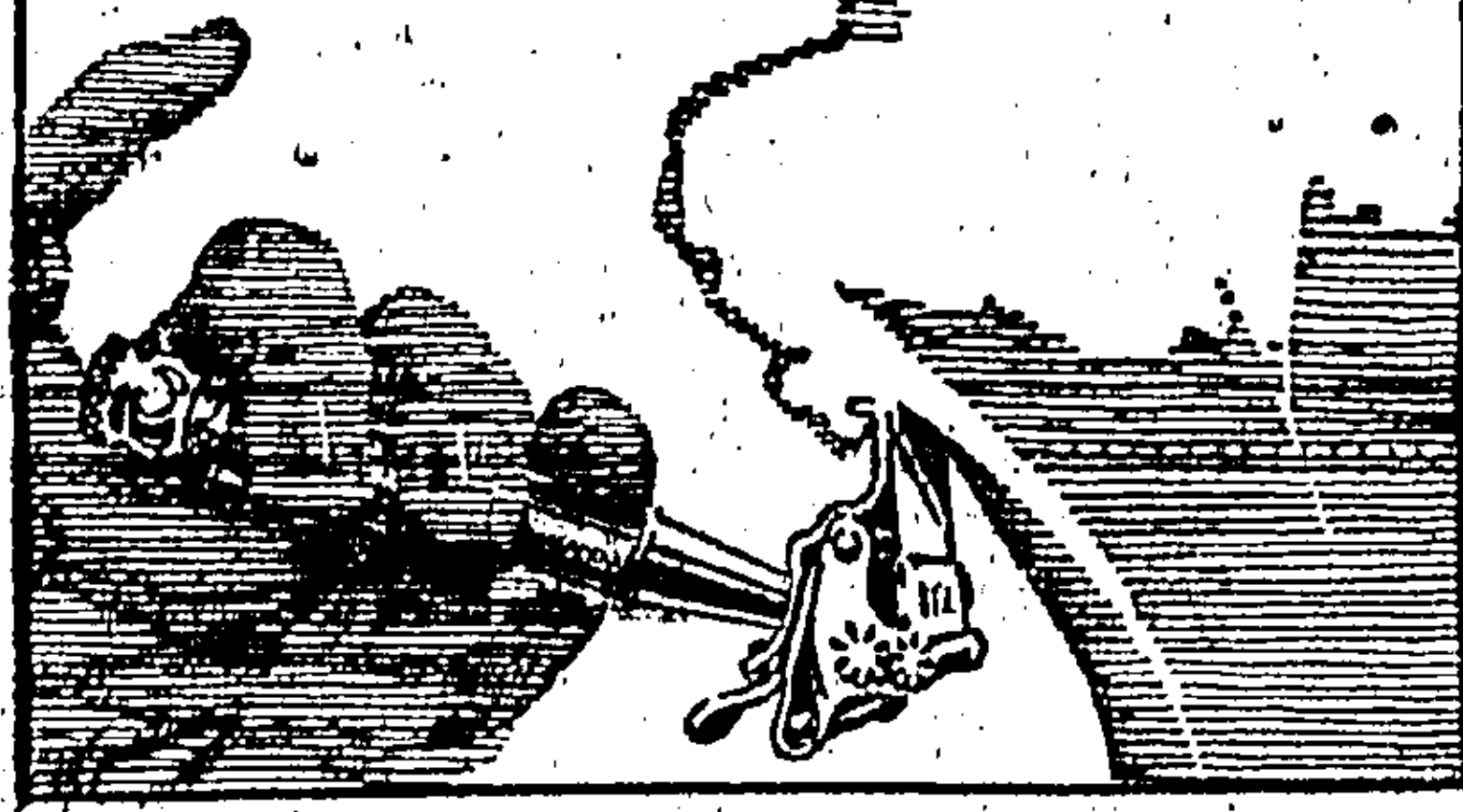
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"UNINTELLIGIBLE VERDICT" OF JURY.

DIVISIONAL COURT ALLOWS APPEAL.

"Verdict for defendants: no negligence, sheer accident. We give plaintiff £50 when he is 21." This verdict, returned by a Whitechapel County Court jury, said to have been chiefly composed of foreigners—was brought to the notice of a Divisional Court recently, when the defendants in the action successfully contended that the Judge ought to have entered a verdict for them instead of ordering a new trial.

The action was one in which an infant sued for damages for personal injury alleged to have been caused by the negligent driving of a motor-car belonging to Messrs. Lucraft and Sons, Limited.

Mr. Grundy, for the appellants, said that Judge Cluer, when he heard the verdict, remarked: "An unintelligible jury and an unintelligible verdict." In his note of the case the Judge stated that on consideration he regarded the verdict as no contradictory and inconsistent that he thought he ought to have entered judgment for the defendants and regretted that he had no power to do so.

Knowledge of English.

Mr. Rubens, for the respondent, said it was difficult to understand what the jury said or to know whether they understood English.

Mr. Justice Swift, who sat with Mr. Justice Acton, allowing the appeal, said that the jury ought to have stopped at the words, "Verdict for the defendants." Possibly it was their intention to pay the plaintiff the £50 out of their own pockets. (Laughter.)

CHINA'S JUDICIARY.

NEW STATUS FOR THE ADMINISTRATION.

Nanking, Nov. 8.

The Central Political Council has passed a resolution, firstly, that the Department of Judicial Administration be raised to the status of a Ministry, secondly, that the Department of Judicial Trial be re-named the Supreme Court, and thirdly, that the Department for Trial of Administrative Cases be re-named the Administrative Court.

The Council has nominated Wei Tao-min as Minister of Judicial Administration and Lin Hsiang as President of the Supreme Court.—Reuter.

POOR ROLLING STOCK.

CHANG HSUEH-LIANG RETURNS DAMAGED CARS.

Peking, Nov. 8.

Most of the rolling stock which Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang recently returned was in such bad condition that it had to be sent to Tongshan for repairs, which in most cases will take nearly six months as many of the cars have practically to be rebuilt.

Chang Hsueh-liang has now wired to Pei Chung-hsi stating that he is sending a second batch consisting of twenty trains.—Reuter.

COLONEL HOUSE'S WAR DIARY.

NEW LIGHT ON PEACE CONFERENCE.

London, Oct. 17.

To-day, after an enforced delay of more than two years, the last two volumes of the war diary kept by Col. House, the close friend whom President Wilson called "my independent self," are being published in America.

The long wait for the second half of "The Intimate Papers of Colonel House" has been due to objections raised by various Powers to certain passages in them, but these demurs have now either been met or ignored by the author. The result is, "the freest, most revealing account yet given of events between 1917 and 1919, which should clear up a great deal of controversy."

The final volume of the Papers gives much inside history of the Peace Conference, and commemorates two "rows"—one that was general and the other between the then United States President and the French Prime Minister.

The "Tiger's" Retort.

The quarrel between Mr. Wilson and M. Clemenceau arose over the Saar, the first maintaining that the Saar had never been heard of until after the Armistice, and the other that it was impossible to sign a treaty that did not satisfy France's claims.

"Then if France does not get what she wishes," said the President, "she will refuse to act with us. In that event, do you wish me to return home?"

"I do not wish you to go home," said Clemenceau, "but I intend to do so myself," and left the house.

While Viscount Cecil of Chelwood (Lord Robert Cecil) and Colonel House were amicably discussing the Colonial question, "the President was having a first-class row with Lloyd George, Clemenceau, Hughes, and Massey. It looked as if the whole thing had gone to pot. However, the row may do good. It will teach them all a lesson."

Contrary to the impression current at the time, Foch, the diary shows, was anxious that the Germans should accept the Armistice terms. "This being achieved," he said, "no man has the right to cause another drop of blood to be shed."

There are interesting passages describing the presentation of the Peace terms to the German delegates, and the signing of the Treaty at Versailles. Of this Colonel House writes: "I wish it could have been more simple, and that there might have been an element of chivalry, which was wholly lacking. The affair was elaborately staged and made, as humiliating to the enemy as it well could be."

In 1917, Colonel House told Mr. Lloyd George and Lord Reading that he was not certain that Great Britain might not have done better without Allies. The reasons he gives are that a land engagement would have been impossible, but that Britain would still "have held the seas, destroyed German commerce, and taken all the German colonies."

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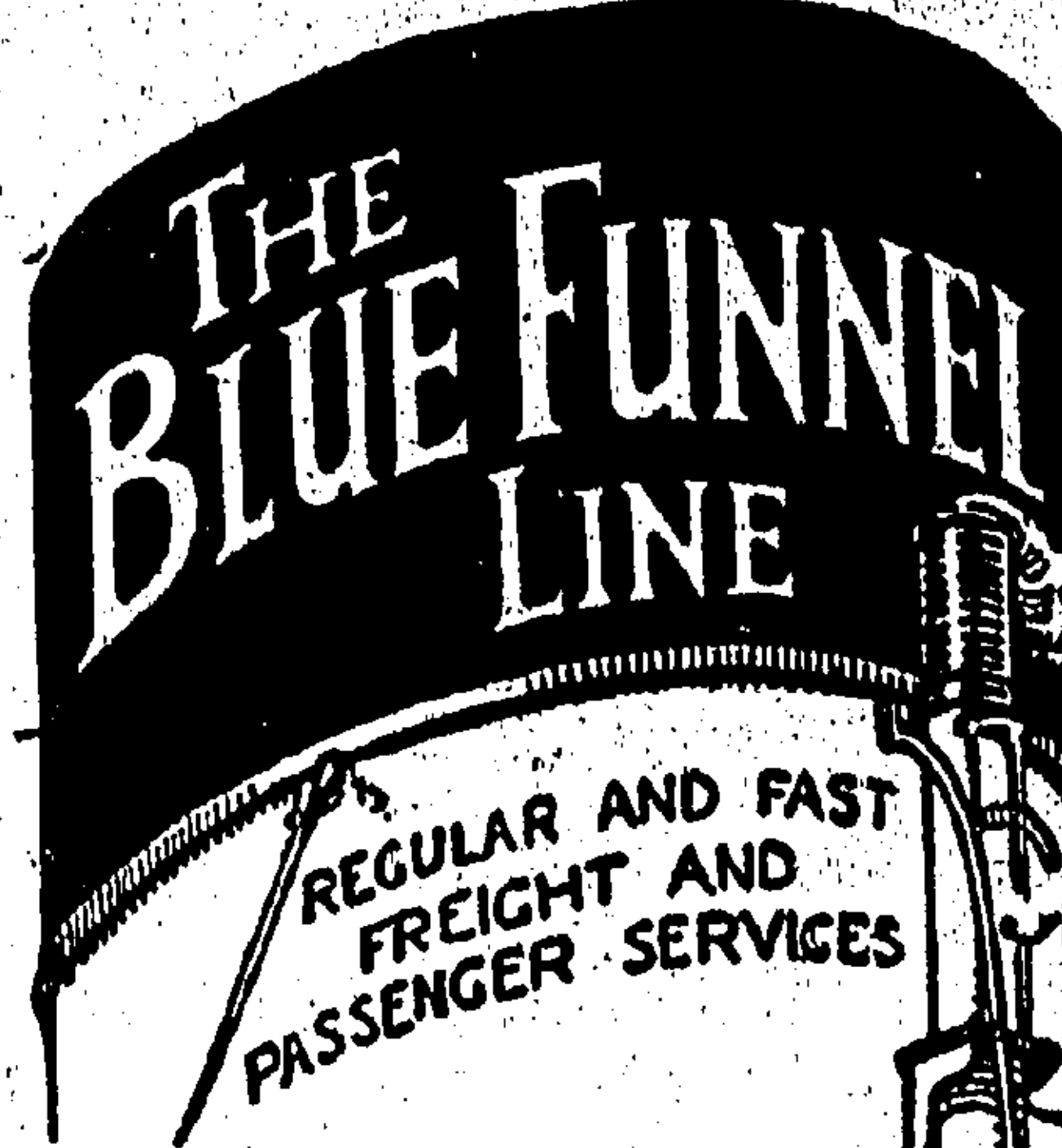
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CENTRAL BANK.**MR. SOONG PERFORMS OPENING CEREMONY.**

The National Government has undertaken to honour the bank notes of the new Central Bank of China, which was formally opened in Shanghai last week, according to Mr. T. V. Soong, the Governor of the Bank. Mr. Soong added that the Government will also honour the notes issued by the Commissariat of General Headquarters which bear the inscription "Subsidiary notes of the Central Bank." The Central Banks in Canton and Hankow have no organic relationship with the Central Bank of China, he said, but added that the abnormal condition of a separate and independent identity would in the course of time be regularized.

The Governor of the Bank and Mrs. Soong greeted a large number of guests, including Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and Mrs. Chiang Kai-shek, and members of the leading Chinese banks. At noon a reception was held and was attended by members of the Diplomatic and Consular Corps, and all the leading foreign bankers and heads of firms. They were received by Mr. T. V. Soong and introduced to Marshal Chiang Kai-shek.

During the reception, Mr. R. Calder Marshall proposed the toast of long life and prosperity to the new institution.

Replying to the toast, Mr. T. V. Soong said:

"The Central Bank of China was started in 1924, by our late leader, Dr. Sun Yat-sen, who entrusted this work to me. In spite of incessant military campaigns against the authority of the infant, struggling government, which started with not more than a third of the province of Kwangtung, the Central Bank in Canton was able to maintain a stable position and to keep its notes at all times at par. In the autumn of 1926, the northern expedition was launched from Canton. In the course of a few months, Hunan, Hupoh and Kiangsi were conquered; we then turned our forces eastwards, taking Kiangsu and Chekiang. During this period of military stress, the finances of the campaign were managed by me through the agency of the Central Bank of China. Throughout this trying time, the cash reserves were well secured, being, when I left Canton for Hankow, fully 60 per cent. of the note issue."

"The Central Bank of Hankow came into existence in December, 1926."

"Before I proceed to discuss this new institution, let me say just one word about the Hankow Central Bank notes. The Government has undertaken to honour the banknotes issued by the Central Bank of China as well as the notes issued by the Commissariat of the General Headquarters, bearing the inscription 'subsidiary notes of the Central Bank.' As a matter of fact, the General Headquarters has already established agencies along the Tsingpu line for the redemption of these notes, but this task is now to be undertaken by the Ministry of Finance. As soon as the government shall have completed the sale of the short term currency bonds and the proceeds shall have been deposited with the Central Bank, the Central Bank

will assume full responsibility for the redemption of these notes.

No Organic Relationship.

The Central Banks in Canton and Hankow at present have no organic relationship to the bank which we are to-day opening here.

This is but another of the inevitable consequences of the civil war, through which we have passed, and during which the financial administration of the various provinces could not be unified under the central control of the National Government. Thus these two banks developed into more local institutions, conforming to conditions in their respective cities. We have now, however, reached the reconstructive stage of our revolution and all political and governmental tendencies are towards unification. Therefore, the Central Banks of Canton and Hankow cannot long continue this abnormal condition of a separate and independent identity. In the course of time, the relationship of these banks will have to be regularized.

Mr. Soong proceeded to refer to the organization of the Central Bank of China, and in conclusion said:

The Government, the Chinese

bankers and the merchants have shown their enthusiasm for this institution in the support which they have already given it. To our foreign friends, who have honoured us by their presence here to-day, I can only say, that your interest and support will be heartily welcomed. The curious political conditions under which many of you live here at times set you somewhat apart from us, but our economic life brings us closely together again. Ultimately, in trade and commerce, there is no difference as to nationality; there is only the buyer and the seller; the importer and the exporter; the banker and the merchant; the producer and the consumer. The

CHINA SLOOPS.**LAUNCHING OF H.M.S. SANDWICH AT HEBBURN.**

The second of two vessels which Messrs. Hawthorn, Leslie and Co., Ltd., are building to the order of the British Admiralty, H.M.S. Sandwich, was launched on 29th September from Hebburn Shipbuilding Yard, the first vessel, H.M.S. Bridgewater, having been launched on 14th September. These vessels are an improvement on the sloop class. The overall length of the vessel is about 200ft., and the approximate displacement will be about 1,160 tons. The vessel is built with a long forecastle deck, which, combined with the boat deck, extends aft for about three-quarters the length of the ship. There is a good flare forward which will render the vessels more seaworthy, and capable of remaining at sea in rough weather. The crew's quarters, which are forward, are spacious and comfortable and include a recreation room, bathrooms, and a service of ice water to each mess.

It is anticipated that the vessels will be employed in the Far East, and arrangements have been made for the entire crew to mess and sleep in the open air under the shelter of the forecastle and boat deck, which has been protected against the sun by double awnings. The armament will consist of 4-inch guns and smaller machine guns.

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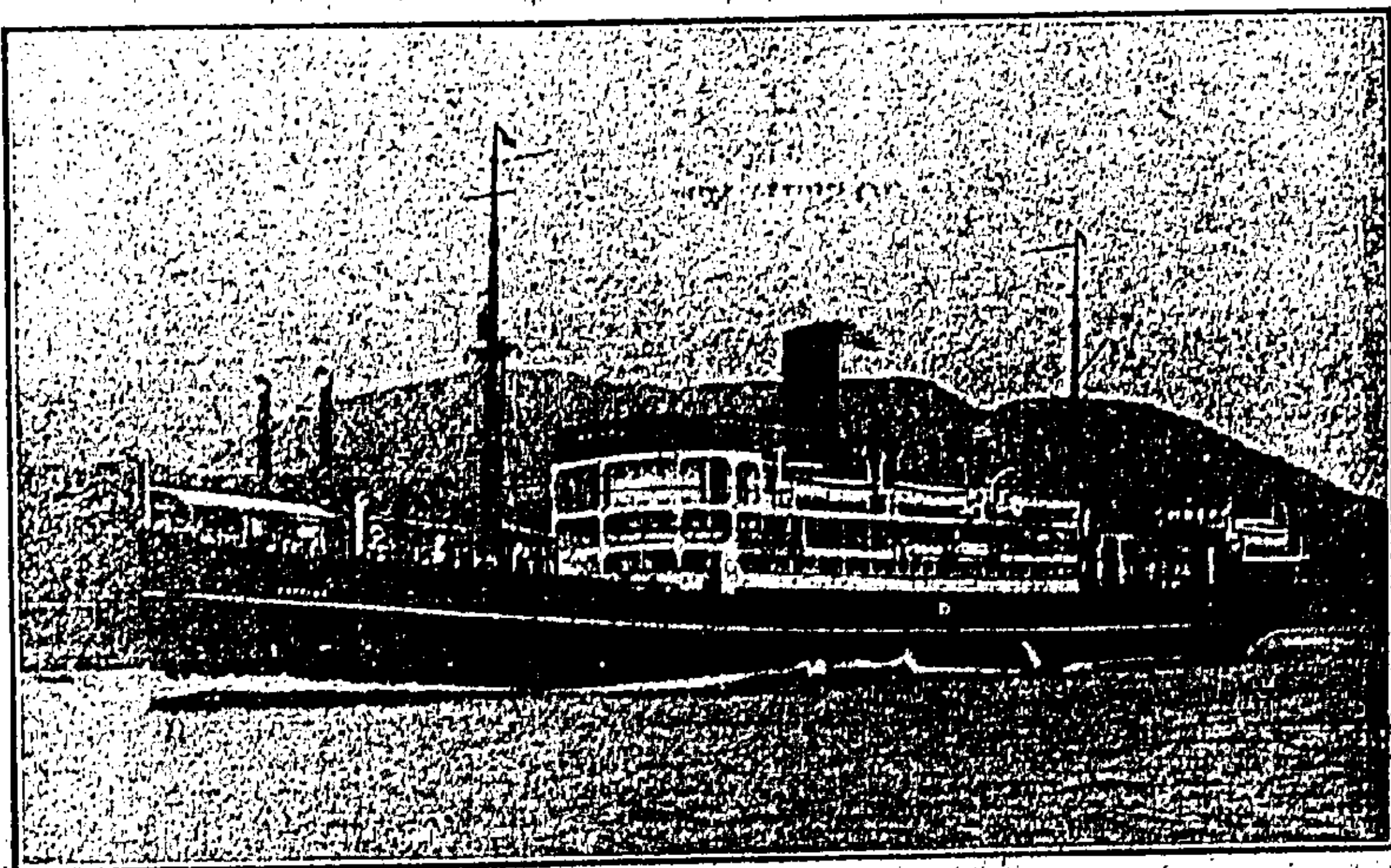
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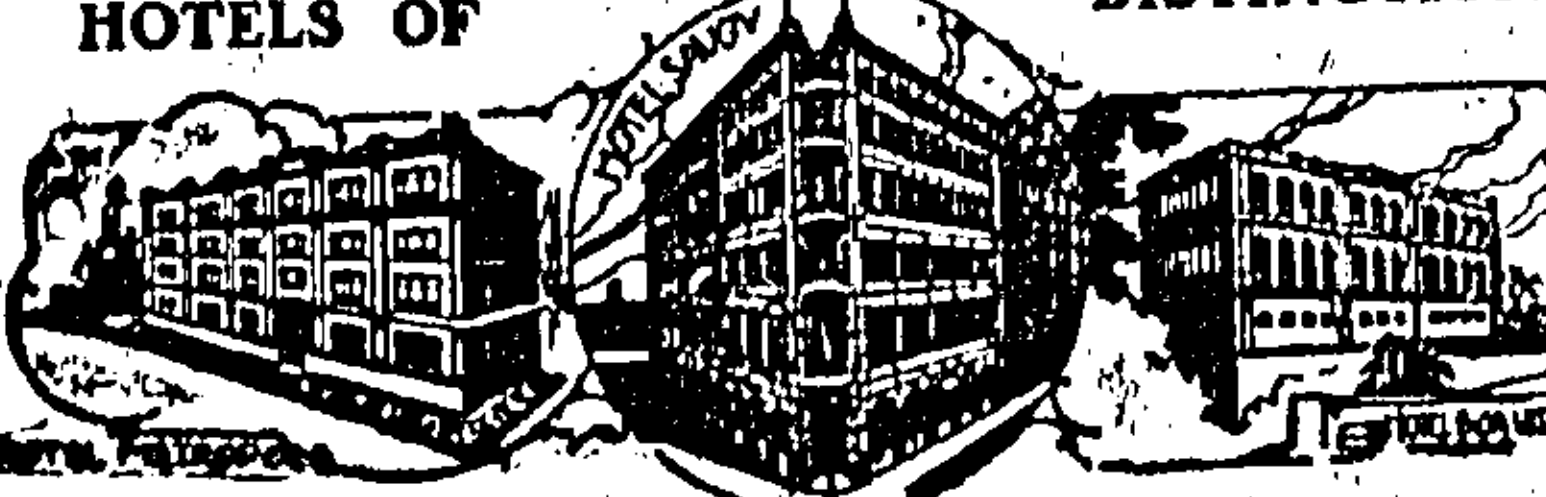
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CHURCHILL EXPLAINS.

London, Nov. 8.
Mr. Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, was asked in the House of Commons to-day for a statement regarding the recent conversations in Paris on the reparations question.

He replied that the conversations arose out of the decision taken at Geneva to set up a Committee of Financial Experts, to make recommendations for a complete and final settlement of the reparations problem.

During the conversations he made it clear that the British Government would welcome a final settlement provided Great Britain continued to receive enough from Allied debts and reparations together to cover Britain's external debt payments. He first conversed with M. Poincaré and subsequently with representatives of the Belgian, German, Italian and Japanese Governments.

Mr. Churchill continued: "I am glad to say that the conversations revealed no disagreement in principle between the six Governments concerned. No final decision has yet been reached as to the personnel and date and place of meeting of the Committee, but I hope all these preliminary questions will be settled and the Committee constituted without any long delay. Perhaps I ought to say that it ought not to be inferred that the German Government accept the view which we take at the present time."

Asked whether the reparations settlement was bound up with the question of the evacuation of the Rhineland territory, Mr. Churchill replied that that matter was entirely separate. *—Reuter and British Wireless.*

FAMOUS CHINESE ACTOR.

ENTERTAINED BY FRENCH CONSUL.

Shumen, Nov. 8.
Yesterday the French community were present at a tiffin given by M. Danjou, the Consul for France, at the French Consulate, on the French Concession, in honour of Mei Lan-fan, the famous Chinese actor and female impersonator.

Mei Lan-fan, who has been in Canton for about a week, has called on several of the foreign Consuls. He only talks Mandarin, but is accompanied by an interpreter who has a thorough knowledge of English and French. Every night he is attracting a capacity house to the new Chu Theatre on the Bund. He is expected to remain here for about another week. *—Our Own Correspondent.*

BIG BRITISH OIL MERGER.

QUESTION IN HOUSE OF COMMONS.

London, Nov. 8.
In the House of Commons, Mr. Winston Churchill replied in the affirmative to a question whether the Government had been consulted with reference to its holdings in the Anglo-Persian Oil Company in the formation of the Consolidated Petroleum Company by the amalgamation of the Anglo-Persian Company and the Asiatic Petroleum Company.

Mr. Churchill added that the independence of the Anglo-Persian Company was not affected. *—Reuter.*

LORD BIRKENHEAD IN BUSINESS.

A DIRECTOR OF IMPERIAL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES.

London, Nov. 9.
It is announced that Lord Birkenhead, who recently resigned from the post of Secretary for India, has joined the board of Directors of Imperial Chemical Industries, Limited. *—Reuter.*

[The Imperial Chemical Industries, Ltd., is a great combine with a capital of £65,000,000 formed two years ago under the chairmanship of Sir Alfred Mond, now Lord Melchett.]

The names of Mrs. T. Armstrong and Miss Smith were inadvertently omitted from our report of the sale of work at the Helena May Institute in aid of the new Wesleyan Sailors and Soldiers' Home. Mrs. Armstrong assisted at the Woolen Stall and Miss Smith at the Refreshment Stall.

HOOVER RETURNS THANKS.

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Pao Alto, Nov. 8.

Mr. Hoover has issued a statement declaring that he is unable adequately to express his gratitude for the overwhelming confidence of the people who made him President, and says that it is an indication of the great issues which were at stake and the determination of the true road of progress.

Mr. Hoover declares: "In this hour there can be for me no feeling of victorious exaltation. Rather, it imposes a sense of solemn responsibility of the future and complete dependence on Divine guidance for the task which the greatest office in the world imposes."

"That task is to give the best that is within me, and to interpret the common sense and ideals of the American people. I can only succeed in my parts by the co-operation and unity of all leaders of opinion and action for the common service of our country." *—Reuter's American Service.*

"Hoover Boom" on Stock Exchange.

New York, Nov. 8.

Rocked to its foundation by the strain of the gigantic "Hoover Boom," the machinery of the Stock Exchange collapsed to-day.

The tape machine was 100 minutes behind the frenzied trading and prices shot up from one to twenty-three dollars per share, though later profit-taking diminished the early gains.

General Motors reached \$244 in view of the general meeting at which the Directors proposed that the common stock be split into two-and-a-half shares for every share held, plus an extra cash dividend of \$2½ in addition to the regular quarterly payment. *—Reuter's American Service.*

The Senate Majority.

New York, Nov. 8.

As a result of their victory in the election, the Republicans after March 4 will have a majority of at least 13 in the Senate and 81 in the House of Representatives.

The Republican majority in the present Senate is only one vote, and includes two or three Progressives, who were able to combine with the Democrats against the Republicans on many important measures, giving them the balance of power.

The defeated members of the House include Mr. Victor Berger, the only Socialist in the present House of Representatives.

How the Voting Went.

Later.

It is estimated that altogether 45,000,000 people polled in the election, of whom 20,000,000 voted for Mr. Hoover and 15,000,000 for Mr. Smith.

The latter thus received more votes than any previous Democratic candidate, but carried only eight States, namely Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina, Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

The consensus of opinion in Democratic headquarters is that the Republican cry of "Prosperity" was the determining consideration with electors.

New York Governorship.

Later.

According to the latest indications, the new Senate will be composed as follows:—55 Republicans, 38 Democrats, one Farmer Labour, and two doubtful.

The House of Representatives will be composed of 258 Republicans, 164 Democrats, one Farmer Labour, and twelve doubtful.

With the returns from 66 districts still missing, Mr. Franklin Roosevelt, the Democrat, claims he is elected Governor of New York State by a majority of 28,800 votes, but his Republican opponent, Mr. Ottinger, the New York State Attorney, threatens to contest the result, and says he will employ experts to examine the election returns from all over the State.

The Democrat Senator Copeland has a majority of 72,000 over Mr. Houghton, former Ambassador to London, in the contest for election to the Senate. There are 218 districts missing.

Mr. Norman Thomas, the Socialist candidate for the Presidency, received 48,000 votes in New York City.

Mr. William Foster, the Presidential candidate of the Communist party, polled 8,840 votes. *—Reuter's American Service.*

HONGKONG WATER SHORTAGE.

LATEST FIGURES SHOW LESS IN STORAGE.

A 30 PER CENT. DROP.

At a moment when the water supply in the rider main districts is restricted to a service from street fountains, more than ordinary interest attaches to the monthly report of the Water Authority, which has just been issued.

It is revealed that on the Hongkong side, the quantity of water in storage is just a little over 70 per cent. of the quantity in storage a year ago, the total on 1st November being 1,390,237 million gallons as against 1,944,277 million gallons on the same date last year, a decrease of 554.04. A decrease is shown in all the reservoirs with the exceptions of Tytam Bywash and Tytam Intermediate.

The consumption for the month of October, was 239.65 million gallons, against 304.94 last year, the difference being accounted for by the fact that whereas a full supply was maintained in the Rider Main districts last October there was only an intermittent supply this year.

On the Kowloon side, where the water problem is not so acute, the total in storage on November 1st, was 510.37 million gallons, which is an increase of 81.82 over last year. The consumption for October was 112.69 million gallons, against 101.04 last year, an increase in population accounting for this difference.

The rainfall up till the end of October last year amounted to 104.87 inches, as against the diminished 70.32 inches this year.

THE UNEMPLOYMENT PROBLEM.

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duce thirty million tons more than it was able to sell at present. The numbers of miners unemployed might even be increased by every improvement in the efficiency of the coal industry, by every well conceived amalgamation, and by every step towards that rationalization which the Labour and Liberal Parties advocated. The coal industry itself, as a living factor, had greatly improved. It had cast off its heavy burdens but had cast them on to society and the State.

Practical Steps.

The practical steps, concluded Mr. Churchill, which the Government recommended to Parliament to remedy or mitigate the industrial situation were, firstly and mainly, the comprehensive relief of industry from local taxation; and, secondly, a policy of Empire settlement. To quicken the flow of migration to Canada there would be an additional grant of £1,000,000, rising to £1,500,000 in future years to reduce the cost of passages. Another form of help was coming into operation through new schemes for improving the electricity supply. The Government were opposed generally to enlarged schemes of public relief works, owing to their meagre results in relieving unemployment, but it proposed certain extensions of land drainage and a scheme to prevent coast erosion.

Mr. Churchill also referred to the question of safeguarding, in which connexion he said that the Government would claim at the election full freedom for safeguarding any industry which proved to an authoritative tribunal that a safeguarding duty on its products would benefit the country. There would also be an extension of the Exports Credit Scheme and, finally, special measures for the absorption of surplus miners. *—Reuter and British Wireless.*

PEKING'S CIVIL AFFAIRS.

VITAL CHANGES SOON EXPECTED.

Peking, Nov. 8.
Vital changes in the civil administration at Peking are expected to take place in the near future.

The newly-appointed Chairman of the Peking Political Council, Chang Chi, who arrived here a few days ago, conferred with Marshal Yen Hsi-shan, the military officer commanding the troops in the city, and General Pei Chung-hai, and it is reliably learned that an understanding has been reached on all outstanding civil problems between the two military leaders.

Chang Chi has also indicated his willingness to assume his portfolio in the Political Council at an early date.

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